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2           DAVID KORESH: -- the fact of, you know, oh,  
3 I'm scared, apprehensive, wondering. Okay. So I began  
4 explaining. I said look, in the Book of Revelation,  
5 very clearly -- And I grabbed the book and I showed  
6 him. I said look, right here, God sits on the throne  
7 and there's a questions asked in regards to this book  
8 in his hand. Who is worthy to open this book and loose  
9 the seals thereof? There are seven messages here.  
10 There's, there's something to do with God, God's mind,  
11 God's will, and God's perception. And who is able to  
12 open this book and loose the seals thereof? The  
13 scripture says no man in heaven or on earth.

14           And, you know, they could see that and they  
15 both shook their head yes. And I said now, it says  
16 that the lamb, the lamb (indiscernible) he can open it.  
17 So I said this is Christ, isn't it? Of course --

18           JOHN COX: I think you can confuse them there  
19 a little bit, too, if they're not really knowledgeable  
20 of, of all of theology, and they may be looking at who  
21 can accurately interpret the seals, you know.

22           DAVID KORESH: Well, actually, what happened  
23 is is that when you just simply let them read word for  
24 word and just guide your finger underneath the word, I  
25 mean, it's very obvious communication. John's telling  
us that no man in heaven -- Watch out, baby.

1                   JOHN COX: I think you have somebody calling  
2 you, huh?

3                   DAVID KORESH: Yeah. No, no man in heaven --  
4 Hey, Cyrus, take her into her room real quick, okay?  
5 Bobby, be good baby. Anyway, the point is no man in  
6 heaven -- have opened and looked thereon. I mean, it's  
7 just -- it's a mystery, and it's called a mystery by  
8 Revelation.

9                   JOHN COX: Sure, sure.

10                  DAVID KORESH: But the content, though, that  
11 the lamb does come and he, and he takes the book, and  
12 the book is called -- The very first opening chapter,  
13 the subject is called the Revelation of Jesus Christ  
14 which God gave to him to show to his servants and what  
15 God clearly gives to Christ is a book with seven seals.  
16 Very obvious, very clear. And the, and the gentlemen  
17 were just like, you know, hey, it's very simple.  
18 That's what makes it so awesome is it's so simple.  
19 Now, I said now, remember --

20                  JOHN COX: You know, that's, that's obvious  
21 to some people, but some that are stronger towards the  
22 New Testament as opposed to the Old Testament.

23                  DAVID KORESH: No, no, this is New Testament.  
24 This is Revelation.

25                  JOHN COX: Sure. Sure.

                  DAVID KORESH: This is the New -- This is the

1 last book of the New Testament. Now, but what this  
2 book does for us is it makes a very clear picture for  
3 those who are going to follow after John's day to be  
4 informed of who giveth to the churches of Asia, to be  
5 shown what must be after their day, that there would be  
6 this revelation Jesus Christ which God would give to  
7 him to show to his servants. Now, John's a servant and  
8 John sees the lamb opens the first seal and there's a  
9 white horse, the second seal's a red horse, and so  
10 forth, these horses and events of which scholars have  
11 busted their brains ever since the Apostolic Church and  
12 they've tried to --

13 JOHN COX: Interpret it.

14 DAVID KORESH: Exactly.

15 JOHN COX: Sure.

16 DAVID KORESH: Now, you can't say that a man  
17 doesn't have the right to give a fair opinion. God put  
18 it in there for everybody to see. We are all told  
19 blessed is he that readeth, and may they hear the words  
20 of this prophesy and those that keep the things written  
21 therein. Now, if we don't understand it, we can't keep  
22 it. If we don't understand it, we can't be judged by  
23 it because if we don't know what we're doing, we can't  
24 be condemned, can we? Jesus said so, right?

25 JOHN COX: You've got it.

DAVID KORESH: Forgive us for we don't know

1 | what we're doing. Okay. But there comes a time,  
2 | uniquely enough, to where in the event of the seventh  
3 | seal the trumpets are being administered, which,  
4 | remember, each seal is a revelation to do with Christ  
5 | somehow, some way. In the seventh seal, the trumpets  
6 | begin to sound and during the sixth trumpet an  
7 | interruption is made and a mighty angel ascends from  
8 | heaven and he has this little book in his hand and it's  
9 | opened. I mean, all seven seals have been opened, you  
10 | see?

11 |                 JOHN COX: Um-hum.

12 |                 DAVID KORESH: At the time of this event. In  
13 | heaven, that is. And he comes to the earth and he  
14 | cries and the lion roareth and seven thunders are  
15 | uttered. Now, John was going to write, but a voice  
16 | says seal up those things and reveal them not, John.  
17 | And so the voice said, the angel said that he swore by  
18 | God that when there's time no longer then this mystery  
19 | of God will be finished, as God has declared to his  
20 | servants the prophets. Okay. So there, there,  
21 | there's, there's our footnote.

22 |                 Whatever this mystery of Christ is, whatever,  
23 | whatever God has to say about Christ that we don't know  
24 | yet, when there's time no longer this book will come to  
25 | earth and it will be revealed, of which the events  
connected to that is that at that time there's a

1 measuring of the Temple of God, there's an event in  
2 Chapter 11 and 12 in Revelation dealing with a woman in  
3 heaven bringing forth a manchild, of which this dragon  
4 fights against the manchild.

5           The event finally turns into Revelation 13 of  
6 how that there's this political power on earth that's  
7 lamb-like but it'll speak as a dragon, you know. The  
8 lamb is a symbol of Christianity. Speaking as a  
9 dragon. Well, we know who the dragon is. But, anyway,  
10 the event finally ends up to where a student of  
11 scripture who avails themselves of the written word are  
12 to fill their heads full of what the book may be  
13 saying, but honesty will always bring the fruit of  
14 realizing that I, I don't know what the book really  
15 means. I know what it's saying, I can quote word for  
16 word what it's saying, but I still as of yet do not  
17 know what it means.

18           And I can give opinions on it, what I think,  
19 but the realities I cannot really honestly say. Now,  
20 in Chapter 22, the last chapter of this book, the  
21 statement is so clear, it's so obvious that it answers  
22 any question in regard to why men do not understand  
23 this book in its entirety. Jesus says now, I Jesus, he  
24 tells us, have sent my angel to testify to you these  
25 things in the churches. Now, the churches  
(indiscernible) were the churches of Asia. Okay? He

1 | says I am the root and offspring of David and the  
2 | bright morning star.

3 |           Then he goes on to say behold, I come  
4 | quickly. My reward is with me to give unto every man  
5 | according as his work shall be. Okay, now, the  
6 | question that I presented to the law enforcement  
7 | officers, as well I have always presented to any  
8 | institution of theology or any of the higher, you know,  
9 | levels of, of theology and philosophy, whether  
10 | apostolic, apocalyptic, prophetic or whatever they may  
11 | profess to, to follow, the keynote is that I asked them  
12 | a simple question: Now, what is the reward that Christ  
13 | received?

14 |           The natural obvious answer is he received  
15 | power, glory, riches, honor, and all this. But when I  
16 | asked the question again --

17 |           JOHN COX: But you can ask some people that  
18 | and they really can't give you the answer, right?

19 |           DAVID KORESH: Well, now, remember --

20 |           JOHN COX: They, they kind of feel different  
21 | under the -- under some pressure and they may not be  
22 | able to give you the accurate answer that you're  
23 | looking for. Yet, you accept that.

24 |           DAVID KORESH: Well, God -- Well, now, here's  
25 | the thing. That's true, I do accept that. But here's  
the key. I never ask anybody that question --

1 JOHN COX: Yeah.

2 DAVID KORESH: -- unless we've already looked  
3 at the facts thus stated in Chapter 4 and 5 of  
4 Revelation.

5 JOHN COX: Sure, sure.

6 DAVID KORESH: You know, God on the throne,  
7 does he sit on a throne? Has he got a book in his  
8 hand? Who'd he give it to? You know, (indiscernible)  
9 before the lamb. What was the first seal? What does  
10 this mean? Who knows? Chapter 10 -- Well, is it true  
11 when there's time no longer, whatever that time may be,  
12 this mystery of God -- What is the mystery of God? Is  
13 God mysterious? Sure, he is. Does he sit on a throne?  
14 Sure, he does. What's the mystery of God? He's got a  
15 book. What's in the book? Nobody knows.

16 What do these symbols reveal? Nobody knows.  
17 It's the mystery of God, seven thunders. When the lamb  
18 opened the first seal, the sound of thunder, seven  
19 thunders, a message for the last days, the last time.  
20 Okay. Well, so the question is what is this reward  
21 that Christ received that no man in heaven nor earth,  
22 neither under earth, was able to receive? And then  
23 everyone thinks and they go ahhh, a book. Exactly.  
24 Only Christ himself can reveal the seven seals.  
25 Exactly.

Now, now, at this point, at this point with



1 | anybody that I talk to, everybody that opens the book  
2 | and sees what we've built up thus far logically and  
3 | clearly sees without any excuse that it's obvious that  
4 | the reason why none of the denominations, from the  
5 | Papacy to the most present offshoot or upshoot,  
6 | whatever, is able to really give a satisfactory answer  
7 | to these subjects of the seven seals. And it's because  
8 | God in his own power, the God of creation, has placed  
9 | in his power over the minds of men the privilege to  
10 | keep sealed from men the knowledge of the truth until  
11 | it's time for it to be revealed.

12 |               God claims to have that power to do so. Now,  
13 | that would be a miracle, that after all the scholars of  
14 | the world have been able to read and research scripture  
15 | that such messages as the seals could be found actually  
16 | in the writings of the prophets of the Bible. Okay,  
17 | now, that --

18 |               JOHN COX: David, you've got to understand  
19 | how it's difficult to grasp, how many theologians have,  
20 | have tried to address that. I mean, you couldn't put  
21 | a, you couldn't put a number on it.

22 |               DAVID KORESH: Exactly. That makes it even  
23 | more interesting, doesn't it?

24 |               JOHN COX: Sure. Sure.

25 |               DAVID KORESH: Makes it even a better  
challenge in --

1                   JOHN COX: And not saying that any of them  
2 are wrong. You know, they're all trying to address  
3 that question.

4                   DAVID KORESH: Okay. Now, but the issue is  
5 not something that's published every Sunday or Sabbath  
6 morning in the churches.

7                   JOHN COX: No, no.

8                   DAVID KORESH: But we know that if the lamb  
9 really is going to come and when it's time, that's  
10 going to be the big horn honk that's going to be  
11 pronounced around the world, because he's got one thing  
12 to -- Okay, look, Isaiah made the statement -- Isaiah  
13 is a prophet, right? Isaiah said behold, the Lord God  
14 shall come with a strong hand. His reward is with him.  
15 His work before him. He shall gather his flock like a  
16 shepherd.

17                  JOHN COX: It doesn't mean it's an angry  
18 hand, either, huh?

19                  DAVID KORESH: Well, now, wait --

20                  JOHN COX: Just a strong hand.

21                  DAVID KORESH: Now, wait a minute. Exactly.  
22 But, you see, that strength is first ministered in  
23 weakness because, remember, he comes as a lamb. But  
24 the progression is that because men are ignorant of the  
25 prophecies God, in position of judging the last  
generation, is going to give the last nation of which

1 that scripture foretells, that last empire that God has  
2 given rule over his people, a probation whereof if they  
3 choose to be negligent to hear the subject of the  
4 seals, they will in turn be fully and forcibly denied  
5 the God of creation. Remember, it's the Father's book.  
6 Remember --

7 JOHN COX: And what you're saying is they're  
8 going to be denied their place in heaven?

9 DAVID KORESH: No, I'm saying they're fixing  
10 to be uprooted their place out of the earth.

11 JOHN COX: To?

12 DAVID KORESH: To the Prince of Princes, the  
13 King of Kings, the Lord of Lords. In other words, you  
14 see, in, in such a free enterprise system as we have  
15 today, men are allowed to vote on who they would have  
16 rule over them, such as in the Jews' case. Shall it be  
17 Christ or shall it be Barrabas? Okay? Now, if they  
18 choose Barrabas, then no doubt Christ will be crucified  
19 and he will ascend back to heaven and the gifts of the  
20 church will be subsided. There'll be no more  
21 resurrection of the dead, no more gifts of healing.  
22 The last administration will be given to those who  
23 accepted them, for those who received Christ. To them  
24 he gave power to be come the sons of God.

25 And, finally, the last testament and will of  
God will be revealed in the revelation, the last

1 written record of the last living apostle, so that if  
2 any such men of this world who have chosen the world to  
3 be their god, if they desire again another chance of  
4 liberty, they are to foreknow it and see how and the  
5 way and the means it shall come. Okay, so, men may be  
6 ignorant of these things but God in mercy will always  
7 bring these things to light if possible. But,  
8 naturally, remember --

9 JOHN COX: I think, I think an, an important  
10 thing that's out there, too, is we're talking about a  
11 merciful Lord, aren't we?

12 DAVID KORESH: We're talking about a merciful  
13 Christ who's --

14 JOHN COX: Sure.

15 DAVID KORESH: -- who, who cannot be judged  
16 by his actions. Now, remember, when Christ was in the  
17 Temple and he overthrew the moneychangers' tables --

18 JOHN COX: Well, he kind of wrecked the  
19 place, didn't he?

20 DAVID KORESH: Just a little bit. But the  
21 thing of it is is that --

22 JOHN COX: There was a good reason for it,  
23 though, wasn't there?

24 DAVID KORESH: A very good reason for it.

25 JOHN COX: You bet.

DAVID KORESH: But the thing of it is is

1 that, remember, now, let's be honest, Matthew, Mark,  
2 Luke, and John says very clearly that they did not  
3 believe on him. Okay? That's, that's, that's the  
4 stumbling block. Eventually, it should be a stepping  
5 stone --

6 JOHN COX: And it's, and it's tough. I mean,  
7 that's, that, that was tough for a lot of people, too.

8 DAVID KORESH: Now, scripture, scripture  
9 explains to us why they didn't believe on it. And  
10 Christ said, he said they believe not Moses and the  
11 prophets. Even though one rose from the dead, they  
12 would not believe. Okay. So the Jews lost their  
13 covenant promises, they lost their blessings with God,  
14 and the New Testament writers tell us the gentiles now  
15 have privilege to wait and receive this salvation.

16 Peter says it shall come unto you in the  
17 latter days at the revelation of Jesus Christ. Now --

18 JOHN COX: And that's been interpreted an  
19 awful lot of different ways, too, hasn't it?

20 DAVID KORESH: Well, okay, we've got to find  
21 out --

22 JOHN COX: From Judaism to Buddhism to  
23 Catholicism to -- They all have interpreted that  
24 differently.

25 DAVID KORESH: Are you sure?

JOHN COX: Well, there are some, some strong

1 differences in how this is finally going to be  
2 revealed, huh?

3 DAVID KORESH: Exactly.

4 JOHN COX: Sure.

5 DAVID KORESH: Now, but what happens is is  
6 that it becomes a political matter, no doubt. I mean,  
7 for instance, say God was to do to the gentiles as God  
8 did to the Jews. The Jews, who went by the prophets,  
9 believe in a Messiah who was a warrior. They believe  
10 in a Messiah who is going to come, make the covenant  
11 with Israel, according to Daniel 9 or -- Zephaniah or  
12 Habakkuk or whichever of the prophets we're, we're  
13 referring to, and that the Messiah was going to destroy  
14 the oppressive power of whatever part of -- Remember,  
15 in Daniel 2, when Daniel saw the vision as  
16 Nebuchadnezzar saw it, remember that the head of gold,  
17 the arms of silver, the belly of brass, and the legs of  
18 iron were all one complete body. In other words, when  
19 it comes to wickedness, even though the Babylonian  
20 nation may have fallen into the hands of Middle Persia,  
21 the Meds and Persians were really no better than the  
22 Babylonians. Do you understand what I'm saying?

23 JOHN COX: Sure.

24 DAVID KORESH: In other words, and when  
25 Middle Persia fell into the hands of Alexander the  
Great, the Greeks, they were really no better, you

1 | know, than the Mead or Persians. And when --

2 |           JOHN COX: Well, how the actions were  
3 | conducted back then and given the "label", it was being  
4 | done for religious purposes.

5 |           DAVID KORESH: Well, actually, it was  
6 | political, but, of course --

7 |           JOHN COX: Sure.

8 |           DAVID KORESH: -- in all the ancient  
9 | governments they all worshipped gods, no doubt about  
10 | it. I mean, they all --

11 |           JOHN COX: Their own gods in their own ways.

12 |           DAVID KORESH: Exactly.

13 |           JOHN COX: Sure.

14 |           DAVID KORESH: Exactly.

15 |           JOHN COX: Sure.

16 |           DAVID KORESH: And this was why throughout  
17 | the Babylonian kingdom the God of Israel was dealing  
18 | with the God of Prophecy. Daniel and then his three  
19 | Hebrew servants were, were prophets. They were able to  
20 | interpret the dreams of Nebuchadnezzar, you know, and  
21 | they always gave God the credit, just as in Middle  
22 | Persia when they, when they threw Daniel into the  
23 | lion's den because he would not adhere to the Persian  
24 | belief of God. What happened was that God intervened  
25 | and saved this man from the lion's den.

          Okay, this gave the nation, the leaders, a

1 chance to recant from their ignorance of not knowing  
2 who they were really worshipping and somehow get  
3 somewhat a step towards learning about the true and  
4 living God that Israel themselves defend against. I  
5 mean, you know, it's just a way that God tries to steer  
6 nations back into the path of his truth. Sometimes  
7 God --

8 JOHN COX: Could be -- the problems we have  
9 today, too.

10 DAVID KORESH: Exactly. Sometimes --

11 JOHN COX: We don't give God enough credit,  
12 huh?

13 DAVID KORESH: Yeah. Sometimes God may allow  
14 crises to take place so that man can be steered,  
15 hopefully, back to the foundation or the real direction  
16 of his truth. Now --

17 JOHN COX: And we, and we, we question that  
18 and I, I know it's difficult for you, it's difficult  
19 for me, it's difficult for a lot of people to question  
20 how some things can be allowed to happen, wars and, and  
21 tragedies and suffering. Particularly suffering of  
22 infants and things like that. And, and that's a tough  
23 test for us.

24 DAVID KORESH: Well, God explains in his  
25 prophecies why he allows it to happen. It's the choice  
of the people that do not turn to his law.



1           JOHN COX: Well, it's kind of difficult to  
2 look at that when it comes to infants that really don't  
3 have the ability to, to reason.

4           DAVID KORESH: Oh, exactly. And so God  
5 places the burden upon their parents and God says --

6           JOHN COX: If they're willing to accept that  
7 burden.

8           DAVID KORESH: Exactly. And if they're not  
9 willing to, just as in the days of Noah when they  
10 reject the last offering of mercy via God who so long  
11 forbore with them and their foolishness and their  
12 vanity, then they have to bear the consequences. And  
13 this is where we have arrived to today. We have a  
14 problem in communicating because the authorities of  
15 this nation and this government have seen, according to  
16 the appearances that they perceive, an injustice done  
17 to their system. Okay.

18           Whereas, on the other hand, we would have to  
19 say that we feel, or actually we know that injustice  
20 has been done against us, the people.

21           JOHN COX: Sure.

22           DAVID KORESH: I'm the little guy right now.

23           JOHN COX: And I appreciate that.

24           DAVID KORESH: But the gin and the snare is,  
25 is that, for instance, let's count, let's see, if we  
were simple Bible students and we really believed in

1 Daniel 2, we would have to know that the empires that  
2 were to rule Europe would have to be under the number  
3 of the sea. A head of gold, which was Babylon, that's  
4 one. A dual kingdom of arms of silver, Middle Persia.  
5 That's two. A belly of brass or bronze, which would be  
6 Grecia, number three. Legs of iron, 'cause there was  
7 two providences of Rome, which would be Rome.

8           And then the feet, part of iron and part of  
9 clay, which says that the kingdom shall be partly  
10 strong and partly broken, but in the kingdom there  
11 shall be, you know, within it the strength of iron and  
12 then the weakness of clay. But you have to say well,  
13 see, when Rome fell, it didn't really fall --  
14 Politically it did but religiously it didn't. It  
15 became Roman Catholicism and it ruled over what was  
16 finally combined or organized as a nation called  
17 Europe.

18           And within Europe there were many providences  
19 and many countries, some being strong, you know, such  
20 as -- Well, like (indiscernible) when you had the  
21 Visigoths, the (indiscernible) and all the different  
22 nations. Some were strong and some were weak. And  
23 Daniel says to us in scripture that while Europe  
24 remains in existence, that in the days of these  
25 kingdoms shall the God of heaven set up a kingdom which  
shall never be destroyed nor given unto other people

1 again, for this kingdom shall arise and destroy all  
2 other kingdoms and it shall rule forever. Now,  
3 sometime --

4 JOHN COX: And how many, how many different  
5 religions or religious sects, religious groups, et  
6 cetera, you know, whatever label you would want to put  
7 on them, who all feel they are that chosen religion?

8 DAVID KORESH: Well, now, here's the thing.

9 JOHN COX: Have a, have a different  
10 interpretation of that, huh?

11 DAVID KORESH: Well, nobody basically in  
12 theology has a different interpretation, but their  
13 interpretation is --

14 JOHN COX: Is to whether or not they are that  
15 chosen church, religion, group, et cetera.

16 DAVID KORESH: No, no. What they believe is  
17 this. This is the basic knowledge of all theology in  
18 all denominations. And that is in the time of this  
19 empire, the broken state of Europe, Rome, whatever the,  
20 the final facet of where Rome has its name still  
21 numbered over the nations, which we again know as Roman  
22 Catholicism, that when the kingdom is set up they  
23 believe that that will be the time of the coming of  
24 Christ, because it says -- Daniel says to  
25 Nebuchadnezzar that thou saw and behold a stone without  
hands and smote the image in the feet.

1                   And the stone smote the image so that the,  
2 the iron, the brass, the clay, the silver, and the gold  
3 was broke into pieces and became as the, as the chaff  
4 on the summer threshing floor and the wind blew it  
5 away. In other words, these, these empires are gone  
6 now forever. The rulership of men, men being given  
7 power over other men, is once and forever broken. Now,  
8 they know this to be the coming of Christ, but that  
9 coming is what we interject by saying yes, you are  
10 correct, but what we interject is that God who sits on  
11 a throne in heaven is that rock.

12                   God is the (indiscernible) starting stone,  
13 God is the rock, God is the one that's going to hit the  
14 image in the feet. Now, the question is will God be  
15 merciful if man on earth has not been given proper  
16 provision or opportunity to know what aforetime God has  
17 spoken he will do? Well, Christ doesn't think so.

18                   JOHN COX: Well, we all, we all believe and  
19 hope that God will be merciful, though.

20                   DAVID KORESH: Okay, so God will be. So then  
21 we find, the last book of the Bible before these events  
22 meet their ultimate fulfillment, is that I come, my  
23 reward is with me to give to every man according as his  
24 word shall be. Just as in Matthew 24 Christ says to  
25 the disciples that when you see the abomination and  
desolation, spoken of by Daniel the Prophet, Christ

1 referring to the Prophet Daniel, right? Evidently,  
2 Christ believed in Daniel, didn't he? He said --

3 JOHN COX: Certainly.

4 DAVID KORESH: -- that they were to flee from  
5 Judea. But he also talks about a time where there's a  
6 carcass and the eagles will be gathered there. Now,  
7 that's a, a statement again that only Christ himself  
8 would know. Okay. So, anyway, the coming of Christ,  
9 no doubt we hope, is the coming that will inform us and  
10 to the events that we ourselves are to get in line with  
11 God. In other words, if God has some information  
12 called seven seals, we already know by the revelation  
13 that no man on earth can reveal such a subject but  
14 Christ himself.

15 That's what scripture plainly teaches. Okay.  
16 Now, that being the case, it needs to be tested. I  
17 mean, man on earth who has a mind and the  
18 comprehension, should be able to thoroughly test such a  
19 doctrine. Okay. So then man has the right to question  
20 and to have opinions and to continue on in his religion  
21 as he knows to do so, continue on in his religious  
22 government and to follow whatever he believes, until  
23 the time comes, till finally someone says hey, I will  
24 show you the seven seals.

25 Now, knowing what this may mean, mankind  
should submit himself to a thorough honest

1 understanding and saying hey, this is what prophecies  
2 foretold, I know that there's one thing that'll  
3 separate the truth from the error and that is if  
4 somebody can show me the seven seals, that whoever that  
5 somebody is I will know who they are. Okay? 'Cause  
6 only the lamb can do that. So the acid test remains  
7 who can show us the seven seals?

8 Now, I presented this to the law enforcement  
9 agencies and --

10 JOHN COX: Did they comprehend what you were  
11 saying?

12 DAVID KORESH: Oh, oh, yeah, they  
13 comprehended it very well.

14 JOHN COX: Did they?

15 DAVID KORESH: Especially Larry --

16 JOHN COX: How much time did you spend with  
17 them --

18 DAVID KORESH: Oh, we was --

19 JOHN COX: -- to comprehend?

20 DAVID KORESH: -- we was out there for about  
21 an hour.

22 JOHN COX: Wow.

23 DAVID KORESH: Probably an hour. You know,  
24 you know, 'cause they were, they were -- the ladies  
25 were watching the kids and talking with the kids. We  
have a lot of kids here. And so what happened was is

1 | that I said now, you see -- I said now, Larry, here's  
2 | the deal. Once we establish this foundational truth  
3 | that no one but the lamb can reveal this, which is  
4 | exactly what Revelation teaches, you know, clear-cut,  
5 | you know, no way around it, impossible to misunderstand  
6 | if anybody's honest at all, I said now, here's what I  
7 | do. I come along and I tell these churches, I say  
8 | here, let me show you.

9 |           Now, all of a sudden, Larry, I tell him, I  
10 | say now, Larry, all of a sudden, either I meet with  
11 | direct anger, wrath and opposition, people saying are  
12 | you saying you're Christ, you know, blasphemy. They've  
13 | already made a judgment. Or I meet with the element of  
14 | surprise and people say well, hmmm, oh, okay, okay,  
15 | well, show me then, let me see.

16 |           JOHN COX: There's got to be a happy medium  
17 | someplace, doesn't there?

18 |           DAVID KORESH: Exactly. But either I, I  
19 | either meet with just extreme you're not going to do  
20 | it, there ain't no way, even if you could I know you're  
21 | the devil, or people with surprise saying well, okay,  
22 | I'm, I'm sitting here, I'm ready to, to be shown then.  
23 | You see? Because the prophecy already state very  
24 | clearly that only the lamb can do this. Now, the  
25 | meeting is because well, right before the world and  
this, this great nation is to be judged we've got to

1 understand in Revelation what Daniel tried to already  
2 tell us in the 13th Chapter.

3           Revelation, John says he saw this beast  
4 emerge out of the sea. It had the head of a lion, the  
5 body of a leopard, the feet of a bear, and that it  
6 spate great things against the most high God and wore  
7 out the saints of the most high God and changed God's  
8 tongues and laws, and we've got to find out what that  
9 possibly means in Revelation 13. Well, Daniel also  
10 presented to Nebuchadnezzar another dream. And just as  
11 the empires that would rise and fall to the end of time  
12 over God's people, that is the empires that God would  
13 have his people be subject to, they didn't want to be  
14 subject to him or his law, they wanted to be like the  
15 heathens, so God says all right, get on out there and  
16 let the heathen rule over you then.

17           Okay. So what happens is we already know  
18 that the symbol of the image is the head of gold, arms  
19 of silver, belly of brass, legs of iron. Now, that's  
20 one way of depicting the world empires. But Daniel  
21 also says a next way of understanding them as in images  
22 of certain beasts. So he had this dream of these  
23 beasts, these four beasts, and he said the first was  
24 like a lion, which was Babylon; the second was like a  
25 bear, which was Middle Persia; the third was like a  
leopard, which was Grecia; and the fourth, he said, he



1 | couldn't really describe. It was nondescript.

2 |           But Daniel says the fourth beast devoured and  
3 | ate up the three beasts that were before it. So the  
4 | three beasts were eaten up, which became a part of the  
5 | fourth beast. Well, Daniel says he wouldn't know the  
6 | meaning of this until the time when the saints would  
7 | possess the kingdom, which would be in the latter days.  
8 | Of course, Revelation discusses the subject and tells  
9 | you what Daniel didn't tell you. Revelation tells you  
10 | that this beast with the head of a lion, body of a  
11 | leopard, and feet of a bear is a, a composite beast or  
12 | the remnants of the ancient empire that have commingled  
13 | together into one co-optic beast, complete beast.

14 |           Rome devoured all the empires and all the  
15 | cultures of men and mingled the seeds of men, just like  
16 | Daniel said they would. So here we have a picture of  
17 | this Europe still under Roman Catholic rule, but yet  
18 | Revelation states that the dragon gave him his power,  
19 | seat, and great authority. That's not too good. Okay.  
20 | Now, we know that the devil likes religion, too,  
21 | doesn't he? Doesn't he?

22 |           JOHN COX: His own interpretation.

23 |           DAVID KORESH: Exactly. Exactly. And he  
24 | tried to go to bat with Christ in the wilderness  
25 | temptation, didn't he?

          JOHN COX: He tempted him more than once.

1                   DAVID KORESH: Exactly. And Christ kept  
2 referring back to it is written, right? So the  
3 knowledge of scripture is definitely an advantage to  
4 have when we're confronting the powers of darkness.  
5 Okay. Now, but that's not the beast really to fear,  
6 because, you see, Revelation takes you another step.  
7 It tells you that because of something to do with  
8 judiciary of heaven there will arise another beast  
9 after Europe. Now, it says -- another beast rose up  
10 out of the earth having two horns. It was lamb-like  
11 but, lo and behold, it speaks as a dragon.

12                   Now, this lamb-like beast, no doubt, is the  
13 beast that denotes Christianity. Lamb-like is also  
14 it's peaceful, promotes peace, believes in peace. But  
15 John says that it speaks as a dragon. It causes all,  
16 both small and great, rich, poor, free and bond, to  
17 receive a certain mark in his right hand or forehead,  
18 and that no one can buy or sell unless they have this  
19 mark. Well, you know, the question is who possibly or  
20 what empire can rise to, you know, pre-eminence after  
21 Europe that has such world-wide influence?

22                   You know, what empire do we know of in our  
23 modern time that's a great nation that has great power,  
24 that's lamb-like, that's Christian, that trusts in God,  
25 and yet maybe what it says, its interpretation may be  
as the dragon? Do you know of such a nation? Well,

1 it's a nation of nations, the United States of America.

2 JOHN COX: You're talking about an awful  
3 large time span between then and now, right?

4 DAVID KORESH: Well, remember, to God a day  
5 is a thousand years.

6 JOHN COX: We went through a lot of, a lot of  
7 different not only religious nations, but nations as we  
8 know them.

9 DAVID KORESH: Exactly. And that's why  
10 Daniel was told that the time of the end would be the  
11 vision and it would be for many days.

12 JOHN COX: And, and it's a presumption on our  
13 part that it's the United States.

14 DAVID KORESH: Well, not really. And let me  
15 explain this way. The prophet Isaiah discusses the  
16 nation who's overshadowed with wings, which is way  
17 beyond the rivers of Ethiopia. You know, if we say we  
18 will assume, then we have to back-track and say that we  
19 have to assume that God first sits on a throne, because  
20 naturally the first focal point is that we know that  
21 the revelation of Jesus Christ which God gave to him  
22 was originally written or compiled by the Apostle John  
23 on the Isle of Patmos. Okay, let's go back 2,000 years  
24 ago first.

25 You know, John was a Christian, wasn't he?  
He was a follower of Christ first, wasn't he? Before

1 | you or I were born, correct?

2 |           JOHN COX: Sure.

3 |           DAVID KORESH: Okay. Now, he does write his  
4 | letter to the churches of Asia of which those churches  
5 | being Christian were gentile churches, but yet they  
6 | had, had become righteous to the belief in Christ. The  
7 | Messiah that the Jews had rejected was the Messiah that  
8 | the gentiles were accepting. Now --

9 |           JOHN COX: You know, their, their belief was,  
10 | was accurate as far as they were concerned and --

11 |           DAVID KORESH: Well, God --

12 |           JOHN COX: -- I think we can look at that at  
13 | so many churches today and then. You know, they may  
14 | not be accurate in someone else's heart, minds,  
15 | viewpoint, but at least they're a believing truth, you  
16 | know. They, they, they shouldn't have negative views  
17 | just because of a person's belief, particularly  
18 | religious belief.

19 |           DAVID KORESH: Well, remember, as we say, the  
20 | Christian church originally started out as a sect.  
21 | That's why in Acts 28 the Jews are talking to Paul the  
22 | Apostle and they say yeah, we've heard of this sect  
23 | forever where it's evil spoken of. That's the way,  
24 | that's the way to merge.

25 |           JOHN COX: Yeah. It's like Christ is seen in  
different forms, whether it be a lamb, whether it be a

1 | dove, you know. So the devil's seen in different  
2 | forms, or Satan or whatever, you know, what, whatever  
3 | character you want to, to call the devil in many  
4 | different forms.

5 |               DAVID KORESH: Okay. So --

6 |               JOHN COX: And are they all, you know, are  
7 | they all looked at accurately? You may yes, I may say  
8 | yes in different forms, but I'm certainly not a  
9 | theologian, you know, and certainly never expressed to  
10 | be one. But we see all these different forms, don't  
11 | we?

12 |               DAVID KORESH: What, what's the avenue left  
13 | open or the door remain open for us to come into unity  
14 | in one of the greatest, one of the greatest --

15 |               JOHN COX: Taking vacations, huh?

16 |               DAVID KORESH: Well, no.

17 |               JOHN COX: Is certainly one in trying to  
18 | accurately accept the Lord in, in whatever manner that  
19 | may be. But not to prejudice people because of our own  
20 | feelings, you know.

21 |               DAVID KORESH: Oh, definitely.

22 |               JOHN COX: I certainly wouldn't. Because of  
23 | my religious beliefs, I'm not going to be prejudging  
24 | other people's religions. And yet, we see it happen  
25 | every day, don't we?

              DAVID KORESH: Definitely, every day.

1 JOHN COX: Sure.

2 DAVID KORESH: Now --

3 JOHN COX: And, and just no one wants to have  
4 any beliefs forced upon anyone else, you know, which is  
5 certainly logic, too, isn't it?

6 DAVID KORESH: In the days of Noah and there  
7 was -- A lot of people didn't want Noah's religion  
8 forced upon them.

9 JOHN COX: Yeah, and a lot of them had to  
10 suffer for it, didn't they?

11 DAVID KORESH: And they did, didn't they?

12 JOHN COX: Sure. Throughout history.  
13 Whatever the particular religion may have been, whether  
14 it was Catholicism or Judaism or, or whatever it was.  
15 You know, and, and I think something that, that you  
16 mentioned earlier that is certainly -- kind of strikes  
17 a nerve with me anyhow, and, and I think it should with  
18 most, most people that believe in the Lord, is, is that  
19 he is merciful and that we all have to be willing to  
20 accept the consequences of our actions. You know, you,  
21 me, anyone else. And yet, he still will be merciful.  
22 And --

23 DAVID KORESH: Are you sure?

24 JOHN COX: I believe it. Do you believe it?

25 DAVID KORESH: No, not really.

JOHN COX: You don't believe that the Lord is

1 going to be merciful?

2 DAVID KORESH: Uh-uh.

3 JOHN COX: Well, I pray that he is.

4 DAVID KORESH: You want me, you want me to  
5 explain why?

6 JOHN COX: And I shouldn't say I pray he is,  
7 I pray he, she, whatever form he may be in.

8 DAVID KORESH: Well, would you like me to  
9 explain why I would make a statement like that?

10 JOHN COX: Sure.

11 DAVID KORESH: It's clear Matthew, Mark,  
12 Luke, and John states he's merciful, right?

13 JOHN COX: Sure. I mean, I've always been  
14 taught to believe that the Lord is merciful.

15 DAVID KORESH: Did Matthew, Mark, Luke, and  
16 John teach you that?

17 JOHN COX: The Bible certainly did. And they  
18 did.

19 DAVID KORESH: Okay. Okay. Also, what the  
20 same apostles stated is is that those who reject Christ  
21 in his mercy, what will they receive? What did Jesus  
22 say? Punishment without what?

23 JOHN COX: Life everlasting, I presume.

24 DAVID KORESH: No, punishment without mercy.

25 JOHN COX: Um-hum.

DAVID KORESH: Okay? Isn't that what Christ

1 said?

2 JOHN COX: And that's those that rejected,  
3 right?

4 DAVID KORESH: Those, those who reject he and  
5 his truth.

6 JOHN COX: And, and the difficult thing is to  
7 say how people reject it. You know, I can go down the  
8 street, and in my line of work and I deal with so many  
9 different people, as you do and as you have over the  
10 years, and we see people that, that you just in your  
11 own mind you say well, this is a nonbeliever, in quotes  
12 nonbeliever, you know. I'm not telling somebody that  
13 they should believe in, in what I believe in as far as  
14 religion's concerned, but it's, it's again  
15 interpretation, isn't it?

16 DAVID KORESH: In your line of work, going  
17 down the street, I don't think it's a matter when you  
18 deal with the people of Biblical interpretation. I  
19 think it's a matter of your interpreting their actions  
20 in social reality.

21 JOHN COX: Sure, sure.

22 DAVID KORESH: I mean, a person beating up on  
23 another person, you're not going to stop and question  
24 them what religion they are of. You're going to,  
25 you're going to have to evade the situation based on  
reality --



1                   JOHN COX: It's the context of sitting down  
2 talking to somebody and, and after, whether it's an  
3 interview, whether it's an arrest situation --

4                   DAVID KORESH: Now --

5                   JOHN COX: -- you're trying to accurately  
6 accept them. You're trying to see if they're being  
7 candid with you or they're not being candid with you.  
8 And you're constantly assessing someone and --

9                   DAVID KORESH: Well, now, in our  
10 interpretation, at the present situation what took  
11 place is very obvious. The ATF came in here and  
12 already the two agents already admitted they fired  
13 first. One said it was an accident.

14                  JOHN COX: Well, I don't --

15                  DAVID KORESH: You know, they said that I was  
16 at the door.

17                  JOHN COX: I don't know that they admitted  
18 that.

19                  DAVID KORESH: Well, you need to research  
20 that because it's all on the news and it's verified by  
21 the ATF agents. And I was the one in the front of the  
22 door when they first drove up. I'm the one who was  
23 standing there, and I told them I says, you know, I  
24 says get back. I says there are women and children in  
25 the house, let's talk about this. I didn't want them  
running and rushing in all over the place. And, lo and

1 | behold, popping off, sent a bunch of popcorn all over  
2 | the place.

3 |               JOHN COX: Sure, sure.

4 |               DAVID KORESH: And they --

5 |               JOHN COX: And I, and I know what happened  
6 | and --

7 |               DAVID KORESH: They said that --

8 |               JOHN COX: -- and we can kick that around,  
9 | and it's a tragedy. And --

10 |               DAVID KORESH: Well, now, wait a minute now.  
11 | Okay, so now I don't -- I'm not asking them what their  
12 | religion is.

13 |               JOHN COX: Sure. Sure.

14 |               DAVID KORESH: You see, what I'm stating  
15 | is --

16 |               JOHN COX: But what you are asking, maybe  
17 | rightfully so --

18 |               DAVID KORESH: Well, I'm saying --

19 |               JOHN COX: -- is why did it happen?

20 |               DAVID KORESH: I'm saying that either --

21 |               JOHN COX: Why did it have to happen?

22 |               DAVID KORESH: -- the local, the state  
23 | authority is being charged with attempted murder. You  
24 | have stated from your system that you were trying to  
25 | offer me a warrant or a search warrant, which it's  
   | plainly known by my next door neighbors and all the

1 people around here that I'm always available on the  
2 premises or off the premises to be addressed on this  
3 thing. And like I was trying to tell the Sheriff's  
4 Department, I said now, the threats that have been made  
5 against my life have been primarily been made against  
6 my life by religious members.

7 Not because they don't believe what I say,  
8 but they believe what I say, they just don't believe  
9 it's me saying it.

10 JOHN COX: Or they don't understand it.

11 DAVID KORESH: No, they do understand.

12 That's why --

13 JOHN COX: Do you think so?

14 DAVID KORESH: I know so. You see, it's like  
15 yourself. Whether you believe the Bible or not, that's  
16 not the question. You see, it's not a matter of  
17 whether you believe in the Bible or not, it's a simple  
18 story, like I've told the other agents. It's the story  
19 of Peter Pan. Okay, me and you have just read the book  
20 Peter Pan and we're clear as far as we perceive on this  
21 entertainment story. Now, we go to school Monday  
22 morning to start another week, and as we're in  
23 literature class the teacher gets up to the front and  
24 says wasn't that a wonderful story on Peter Pan and  
25 Peter Pan and Jack.

And we're going to ourselves and I say hey,

1 | what's this Peter Pan and Jack? And I put my hand up  
2 | and I say excuse me, sir, you mean Peter Pan and  
3 | Tinkerbelle? Oh, no, Peter Pan and Jack. And I look  
4 | and I say, you know, hey, where's this guy coming from?  
5 | There's no such thing as Jack --

6 |               JOHN COX: Somebody read a different story,  
7 | didn't they?

8 |               DAVID KORESH: Right. And, and I ask the  
9 | question again. Excuse me, sir, our assignment was  
10 | Peter Pan and it had Dr. Hook in there and it had, you  
11 | know, I don't remember it having this Peter Pan and  
12 | Jack in it. And he begins to tell us that we're not  
13 | interpreting it properly, we're misreading it, you  
14 | know, we, we shouldn't, we shouldn't question his  
15 | authority, he is the teacher, he's the one that's going  
16 | to grade us, this is his test paper and we need to just  
17 | stifle ourselves before we cause too much commotion.

18 |               We're in the wrong. Okay, so what happens is  
19 | is I still question it and he comes over and slugs me  
20 | in the nose and I get up and I put some Kung Fu on him.  
21 | And now, now I'm in trouble 'cause I went against the  
22 | system. Okay, now, now, now we've got a, now we've got  
23 | a real reason here to fight, you know, because the  
24 | thing of it is is like I told the Sheriff's Department.  
25 | I said look, there's one thing about a true Christian  
and that is the knowledge of the truth. And when a

1 person has the knowledge of the truth, he realizes that  
2 others do not. And he also realizes that the knowledge  
3 of the truth does not make one person better than the  
4 other. On the contrary.

5           The person with the knowledge of the truth  
6 becomes more sensitive to the person that doesn't have  
7 it. So for the last month-and-a-half we have been very  
8 sensitive with the, what do you call them? Plants or  
9 spies or covers. Anyway, Robert and Jeff and the guys  
10 that were, you know, our temporary neighbors over here.  
11 And that morning -- You know, let's drop the religious  
12 thing for a second. And that morning I did everything  
13 in my power to, to allow Robert to know that, you know,  
14 if he wanted to arrest me or something like that, I  
15 told him, I says Robert, you know, you've got to do  
16 what you've got to do and I've got to do what I've got  
17 to do.

18           JOHN COX: How come prior to that time, and,  
19 and I'm just asking --

20           DAVID KORESH: Go ahead.

21           JOHN COX: -- because I don't, I don't have  
22 the answer, you never set down with Robert, said I know  
23 who you are and, and --

24           DAVID KORESH: I did.

25           JOHN COX: Did you really?

            DAVID KORESH: I did, honestly. I kept

1 | telling -- You can ask Jeff, too. When they brought  
2 | the two AR's out --

3 |               JOHN COX: Yeah.

4 |               DAVID KORESH: -- I started talking about his  
5 | trigger job, I had the real, the real nice --

6 |               JOHN COX: Yeah.

7 |               DAVID KORESH: -- you know, it had a real  
8 | short squeeze and all that. And I says -- And he says  
9 | oh, really? Oh, really? And I said look, one in seven  
10 | twists. Come on, you're shooting a heavy .22, 5.56  
11 | ammo. I said come on, you're a sniper. You know, I  
12 | told him, I says come on Robert, you know in your line  
13 | of business what this is used for. You know, we, we  
14 | did everything.

15 |               JOHN COX: No, but I, I mean --

16 |               DAVID KORESH: We told him without --

17 |               JOHN COX: -- that was, that was probably one  
18 | of the initial occasions that you spent some time with  
19 | him.

20 |               DAVID KORESH: And then that, that Sunday  
21 | morning. See, I loved his soul, all right? I didn't  
22 | want to scare him off. I wanted to show him --

23 |               JOHN COX: No, but you could have, you could  
24 | have told him --

25 |               DAVID KORESH: I --

              JOHN COX: -- you didn't appreciate what was

1 going on, huh? If you, if you truly didn't --

2 DAVID KORESH: Well, no, he -- We --

3 JOHN COX: -- like what was going on.

4 DAVID KORESH: -- we don't mind, we didn't  
5 mind what was going on. As a matter of fact, his cover  
6 gave me the best advantage to be able to teach these  
7 young men where I'm coming from. You see, he -- it  
8 was, it was a --

9 JOHN COX: Do you think you were successful?

10 DAVID KORESH: Well, you have to ask Robert,  
11 don't you? You have to say Robert, every time when you  
12 were sitting in that class with some of the people  
13 there --

14 JOHN COX: Yeah.

15 DAVID KORESH: -- and you looked all the way  
16 around, did you happen to think that nobody knew that  
17 you were looking all around? You know, but the thing  
18 of it is, when Robert saw what he saw, he was  
19 convicted. He cannot deny Psalm 45. He cannot deny  
20 Psalms 1, Psalms 2, Psalms 3, Psalms 4.

21 JOHN COX: Well, you, you just didn't want to  
22 have a confrontation with him. Is that what the bottom  
23 line was?

24 DAVID KORESH: No. Well, the thing -- There  
25 was no reason to.

JOHN COX: No, I mean just say hey, you're --

1                   DAVID KORESH: If he wanted to say --

2                   JOHN COX: -- you're not welcome here because  
3 of what you're doing, that type of thing.

4                   DAVID KORESH: Oh, look, it didn't make any  
5 difference and he was welcomed here.

6                   JOHN COX: Was he?

7                   DAVID KORESH: Exactly. He was going to move  
8 in for two weeks. I already told him he could. He  
9 could have been with all the guys here.

10                  JOHN COX: And knowing that he had another  
11 purpose in mind?

12                  DAVID KORESH: It didn't make any difference.

13                  JOHN COX: You really, you really didn't  
14 care?

15                  DAVID KORESH: I have nothing to hide.

16                  JOHN COX: Yeah.

17                  DAVID KORESH: Here, Steve, tell him what you  
18 and Robert was talking about.

19                  JOHN COX: Well, I trust you. You tell me.

20                  DAVID KORESH: No, one second. Just talk to  
21 Steve for a second.

22                  JOHN COX: Sure.

23                  DAVID KORESH: I need to move, adjust myself  
24 again.

25                  JOHN COX: Go ahead. Go ahead.

                  DAVID KORESH TO STEVE: You know, tell him



1 about Robert, about how we liked that guy. He's really  
2 a good guy. I mean, you know --

3 STEVE: John.

4 JOHN COX: Sure, go ahead.

5 STEVE: Yeah, like he was saying, I mean,  
6 right from the beginning we suspected, because you  
7 don't have, you know, -- seven guys almost 40 years of  
8 age, very articulate in their speech. You could tell  
9 they were professional people.

10 JOHN COX: Yeah.

11 STEVE: We didn't care. It didn't matter.

12 JOHN COX: Yeah.

13 STEVE: But like when Gonzalez came over  
14 here, we sat down, spent a lot of time with the guy.

15 JOHN COX: Oh, I just, I just asked David, I  
16 said, you know, if, if you really didn't have any  
17 positive idea, I guess, about him and you know that he  
18 was over there for the purpose that he was over there,  
19 why didn't you have a confrontation and say look, I  
20 just --

21 STEVE: Well, I tried to.

22 JOHN COX: -- don't appreciate you being  
23 here?

24 STEVE: Well, no, it wasn't -- because here's  
25 a possible guy, here's a soul maybe, here's someone  
like myself --

1                   JOHN COX: Yeah, but he wasn't there to have  
2 his soul saved, right?

3                   STEVE: Well, who knows, though? You never  
4 can tell.

5                   JOHN COX: Wait a minute. I know.

6                   STEVE: Maybe that -- along the way.

7                   JOHN COX: I mean, to be very real --

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1                   JOHN COX:  -- I worked under cover years and  
2 years ago and I wasn't there to have somebody save my  
3 soul.  I was there to either prove someone was  
4 violating the law or prove they weren't violating the  
5 law, and that was the only sole purpose of being there.

6                   STEVE:  Well, this --

7                   JOHN COX:  And anything that transpired while  
8 I was there had nothing to do with my purpose of being  
9 there.  And that's the same reason Robert was there.

10                  STEVE:  I realize that.  See, just like the  
11 Centurion in the Book of Acts, came to do some  
12 arresting but walked away not doing that, but himself  
13 wanting to know --

14                  JOHN COX:  Sure.

15                  STEVE:  -- and have salvation.

16                  JOHN COX:  And don't you think that if Robert  
17 -- And, and I'm certainly not here to put words in your  
18 mouth or to put words in his or anything else, but if I  
19 had been put in the same situation, to assess,  
20 accurately assess whether I felt there was a possible  
21 violation of the law or there wasn't, and I spent that  
22 amount of time there and I went back and I did my  
23 paperwork, obviously, in Robert's mind, he felt that  
24 there was some probable cause because he, he was --  
25 Obviously, he was part of the information that went  
into an affidavit for a search warrant.  Don't you

1 | believe that?

2 |               STEVE: Well, I --

3 |               JOHN COX: The information that he provided?

4 |               STEVE: Well, when it all culminates, it  
5 | would have to be like that.

6 |               JOHN COX: Sure.

7 |               STEVE: He wouldn't have made the choice he  
8 | did which --

9 |               JOHN COX: Sure.

10 |              STEVE: -- surprised me because --

11 |              JOHN COX: So his reason for being there had  
12 | absolutely no religious connotation or, or overtones.

13 |              STEVE: That is not what he said, though, and  
14 | that's -- He sat there for hours taking --

15 |              JOHN COX: We say a lot of things when we're  
16 | working in an undercover capacity.

17 |              STEVE: And we suspected that could be true.

18 |              JOHN COX: Sure.

19 |              STEVE: But, still, we love people so much,  
20 | you give them the opportunity.

21 |              JOHN COX: Oh, sure.

22 |              STEVE: Even if it's one out of a million,  
23 | even if it's that, whatever it might be, he's still a  
24 | person that was made, created by an authority above  
25 | himself and we loved the guy. I mean --

              JOHN COX: Sure.

1 STEVE: -- we spent enough time with him  
2 where we really got to appreciate the man's character  
3 and personality.

4 JOHN COX: Well, I know both you, I guess,  
5 and David have said that you'd like to talk to him,  
6 too.

7 STEVE: Yeah. Well, yeah, I really would.  
8 But, anyway, here's David.

9 JOHN COX: But it may be a pretty awkward  
10 thing, don't you think?

11 STEVE: Well, it wouldn't be for me over the  
12 telephone or anything. I don't have any problems.

13 JOHN COX: Well --

14 STEVE: I don't have any problems with any  
15 human being.

16 JOHN COX: -- after, after what had happened,  
17 though.

18 STEVE: Even after that. You could listen  
19 in. It wouldn't matter because I hold nothing -- The  
20 man did his job, his duty as to what he thought.

21 JOHN COX: Yeah.

22 STEVE: I can't judge him. I don't know what  
23 makes him tick or what, what he's all about.

24 JOHN COX: No, but --

25 STEVE: I would -- I could --

JOHN COX: -- what I mean is he's going

1 | through some pretty tough times after that.

2 |           STEVE: I'm sure he is. I'm sure he is.

3 |           JOHN COX: As you and David and the people in  
4 | there are going through some tough times. And --

5 |           STEVE: John, Dave's ready to continue  
6 | speaking with you.

7 |           JOHN COX: Go ahead. Go ahead.

8 |           STEVE: Okay, here he is. He just wanted to  
9 | change positions. If you like, I'll talk to you any  
10 | time you'd like, though.

11 |           JOHN COX: You bet.

12 |           STEVE: Okay, here he is.

13 |           MR. KORESH: No, you know, that's the thing  
14 | people don't understand about us, you know, is that law  
15 | enforcement agents are people.

16 |           JOHN COX: Yeah, we sure are.

17 |           MR. KORESH: They're, they're, they're people  
18 | just like anybody else in the world. They're, they're  
19 | souls. They, they were born, they were children, they  
20 | were raised, they wanted to be, you know, if I didn't  
21 | have my job, that's what I would like to have been.  
22 | Because, you know, it's --

23 |           JOHN COX: Are you sure?

24 |           MR. KORESH: I'm positive.

25 |           JOHN COX: You -- Are you really sure you'd  
   | want to do, do that?

1 MR. KORESH: Well, look, what do you guys --

2 JOHN COX: A lot of frustrating times out  
3 there, huh?

4 MR. KORESH: Well, I, I realize this, that at  
5 least, you know, you all have a power on earth backing  
6 you that everyone can see.

7 JOHN COX: Well, sometimes we do.

8 MR. KORESH: Right.

9 JOHN COX: Sometimes we do. And it's  
10 difficult to accept it sometimes when you're out there  
11 all on your -- you're out alone and you have to make a  
12 decision and then somebody can sit back for years and  
13 criticize the decision you made.

14 MR. KORESH: Well, I honestly, I honestly  
15 believe that Robert -- I believe that he didn't expect  
16 would happen. I believe that he didn't want to signal  
17 or cause to happen what he happened that morning. If  
18 he did --

19 JOHN COX: I'm sure he didn't. I'm sure he  
20 didn't .

21 MR. KORESH: 'Cause he --

22 JOHN COX: No one did, did they? If you were  
23 a policeman, how in the heck would you have handled it,  
24 you know? You said you'd like to have been a law  
25 enforcement officer. How would you try and resolve  
this right now as a law enforcement officer?



1 MR. KORESH: Well, like I said, right now --

2 JOHN COX: Through communications?

3 MR. KORESH: What I said right now is this,  
4 is that you know what I know, but I know what you don't  
5 know.

6 JOHN COX: Well, I don't think so.

7 MR. KORESH: Okay, that's your, --

8 JOHN COX: I know what you know.

9 MR. KORESH: That's your -- No, that's your  
10 opinion.

11 JOHN COX: Yeah.

12 MR. KORESH: And whereas you might say to me  
13 that's my opinion. So now we stand off the two sides  
14 on the side of the line saying one opinion against  
15 another opinion. But that's what we have to see.

16 JOHN COX: Yeah, yeah. But the bottom line,  
17 if you were, if you were a law enforcement officer, and  
18 hindsight's great and, you know, we could all be Monday  
19 morning quarterbacks --

20 MR. KORESH: If I was Robert, I would have  
21 said -- I would have gone out and I would have said  
22 look, guys, there's a lot of women and children th  
23 this morning.

24 JOHN COX: Yeah.

25 MR. KORESH: And David just sat dr  
I brought a newspaper and he sat down with

1 started opening up the Bible again to me, personal. He  
2 was looking me straight in the eyes and he was  
3 reminding me of what I've shown him and he told me that  
4 he loved me and was concerned about me and that he told  
5 me that they were coming and that I had to do what I  
6 had to do, he'd do what he had to do, and that, you  
7 know, he hoped that, that I would consider everything  
8 I've been shown in the scripture and make the proper  
9 decision.

10 JOHN COX: Sure.

11 MR. KORESH: And, you know, and so I think we  
12 need to hold off, I think we need to give him a call, I  
13 think we need to see if he'll come out to us and we can  
14 get this thing discussed and I don't think we need to  
15 run in there like a bunch of cowboys 'cause that  
16 aggression is going to cause aggression. You know,  
17 these people believe in God and they do not believe in  
18 being pushed over.

19 JOHN COX: Yet, you nor I know what would  
20 have happened. We can speculate and we can say --

21 MR. KORESH: No, no, I know what would  
22 happen.

23 JOHN COX: Yeah, but you're saying that in  
24 hindsight now, see? And what you would have done at  
25 that time is pure conjecture because you don't know  
what force you would have seen, whether two people

1 | would have walked up to a door, you know, whether ten  
2 | people would have walked up there for fear of being  
3 | overwhelmed. And, and that's happened. And, and what  
4 | I was, what I was addressing to you was if you had  
5 | taken that other path --

6 | MR. KORESH: Which other --

7 | JOHN COX: -- as a law enforcement officer,  
8 | okay?

9 | MR. KORESH: Um-hum. Which is sitting in the  
10 | Sheriff's Department out here.

11 | JOHN COX: No, no, no. If you had taken that  
12 | other path as opposed to a religious path of life, a  
13 | law enforcement path of life, and you were sitting  
14 | where I'm sitting and where the law enforcement  
15 | community is, how would you address it now, other than  
16 | communications? Because what's done is done and, and  
17 | communications may not have been handled properly.

18 | MR. KORESH: Well, how should, how should  
19 | we --

20 | JOHN COX: Or what -- We're trying to resolve  
21 | it now and we're trying to resolve it --

22 | MR. KORESH: Okay. So how should we --

23 | JOHN COX: -- through communicating.

24 | MR. KORESH: -- the American people punish  
25 | you for your misuse and misjudgment against innocent  
citizens?

1 JOHN COX: That's what the judicial system is  
2 all about.

3 MR. KORESH: How do you, how do you --

4 JOHN COX: Listen --

5 MR. KORESH: Now, wait a minute.

6 JOHN COX: I'm not talking about the criminal  
7 judicial system, I'm talking about the judicial system.

8 MR. KORESH: Your actions have been criminal  
9 actions.

10 JOHN COX: Well, that's what the judicial  
11 system's about, whether it's civil litigation or  
12 whether it's criminal litigation. You certainly have  
13 the same rights and privileges as anyone else. You've  
14 got the media.

15 MR. KORESH: My friend, my friend --

16 JOHN COX: You've got attorneys.

17 MR. KORESH: Look, my, my friend --

18 JOHN COX: Sure.

19 MR. KORESH: -- let me explain something to  
20 you.

21 JOHN COX: Go ahead.

22 MR. KORESH: You know, in 1988 I went through  
23 \$68,000 worth, okay?

24 JOHN COX: Sure.

25 MR. KORESH: The, the jury wanted to stop the  
case after three days. They just happened to, to do

1 something that was very illegal and which I addressed  
2 to my attorney and he, he shunned it off. You see, in  
3 the election of a jury, it's a known standard fact that  
4 no jury member is to be associated by friendship,  
5 especially by relationship, to the prosecuting attorney  
6 or the defense attorney.

7 JOHN COX: And that's one of the things that  
8 attorneys are supposed to draw out, right?

9 MR. KORESH: Exactly.

10 JOHN COX: In the selection process.

11 MR. KORESH: Exactly. And so what happened  
12 was is that when it was uncovered and stated very  
13 plainly that one of the black members on our -- on the  
14 jury was a, a club member of Chebaz, the prosecuting  
15 attorney, this was continually pushed back and  
16 overlooked. Now, after the, after the court case when  
17 they, when they finally -- They acquitted the first  
18 seven and they kept having me in a hung jury. What  
19 happened was is that we had a party.

20 JOHN COX: Well, they were going to retry  
21 you.

22 MR. KORESH: Well, they, they weren't and  
23 they couldn't because, as we said before, the charges  
24 were, were fanatic.

25 JOHN COX: Yeah.

MR. KORESH: Anyway, here's the deal. So, so

1 | the jury -- When we finally got the jury -- All the  
2 | jury members came except three black people.

3 |           JOHN COX: That's what I heard. Last night I  
4 | think you mentioned that to Henry.

5 |           MR. KORESH: Okay. So, you know, and they  
6 | said, they said, they said, they said now Vernon, they  
7 | said here's the deal. You know, now this is over, we  
8 | heard both sides and we, we understood by the second  
9 | and third day that everything that was coming against  
10 | you boys was, was bogus. We understood that, that,  
11 | that for some reason, some way, somebody's trying to  
12 | sink you for some reason. We couldn't figure it out.  
13 | But the thing of it was is that when we finally was  
14 | allowed -- 'Cause we had, remember, two weeks of  
15 | witnessing. I mean, just crazy stuff. I mean, the DA  
16 | was just --

17 |           JOHN COX: You mean prior to the actual trial  
18 | itself?

19 |           MR. KORESH: Exactly. I mean --

20 |           JOHN COX: Well, were you, were you --

21 |           MR. KORESH: -- the jury was --

22 |           JOHN COX: -- satisfied in the, in the way  
23 | your attorney represented you?

24 |           MR. KORESH: Well, he didn't really have to  
25 | too much 'cause it was the -- mainly all prosecution.

          JOHN COX: And I'm not saying that in the

1 | light that I'm criticizing your lawyer. I don't know  
2 | your lawyer from anyone.

3 | MR. KORESH: Oh, Gary, Gary Coker did very  
4 | fine, but --

5 | JOHN COX: But, I mean, you're satisfied with  
6 | the way he represented you? How come -- Why don't, why  
7 | don't you think he realized or was able to draw out  
8 | that somebody had a relationship there with the  
9 | prosecution? It was just a pretty veiled relationship  
10 | or hidden relationship.

11 | MR. KORESH: Well, what it was was it was a  
12 | deal dealing with a club membership. And, anyway, and  
13 | afterwards -- Anyway, let me get my point made.

14 | JOHN COX: Go ahead. Go ahead. I'm sorry.

15 | MR. KORESH: After the trial, the jury  
16 | members that came to the party, we had a big party over  
17 | at -- They stated to us that, you know, they kept  
18 | continuing as they voted, you know, guilty or not  
19 | guilty, that, you know, the weight of evidence was that  
20 | every one of us was absolutely not guilty, even from  
21 | Sheriff Dickerson (phonetic sp.). He did tell us to go  
22 | out there, he did tell us that the, the people out  
23 | there were dangerous. I mean, he knew something more  
24 | about the situation that we didn't know.

25 | JOHN COX: But you just had one person  
hanging up.

1 MR. KORESH: Well, no, what happened was is  
2 later on, about a year or two later --

3 JOHN COX: No, I mean at the time that they  
4 were voting.

5 MR. KORESH: Right.

6 JOHN COX: At -- time.

7 MR. KORESH: No, no, three black people.

8 JOHN COX: Yeah.

9 MR. KORESH: The three black people. And  
10 they kept saying to these black people, they kept  
11 saying now, look, the weight of evidence. Well, the  
12 one guy says well, because they went on up there with  
13 guns, that right there shows they were out there to  
14 kill him, so he's guilty.

15 JOHN COX: Uh-huh.

16 MR. KORESH: Now, they was out there with  
17 guns. Okay.

18 JOHN COX: That's a jury of your peers, huh?

19 MR. KORESH: That's the one, that's the one  
20 thing. The woman kept saying I feels in my heart, I  
21 feels in my heart, I've got to go by my heart.

22 JOHN COX: Don't be slanderous now.

23 MR. KORESH: No, that's what they were  
24 telling me.

25 JOHN COX: Oh, I know that.

MR. KORESH: Okay. I mean, let's get



1 realistic. You don't go by your heart when you've got  
2 facts to deal with. Your heart gets you in trouble.

3 JOHN COX: But we see, we see that happen.  
4 We see it happen in court.

5 MR. KORESH: All right. Now, now, here's the  
6 thing. The third guy, you know, he went along with the  
7 other guys because based upon the firearms.

8 JOHN COX: Uh-huh.

9 MR. KORESH: But I met that other guy down at  
10 the paint and body shop and he kept looking at me like  
11 he recognized me.

12 JOHN COX: You mean afterwards?

13 MR. KORESH: Afterwards, right. About a  
14 year-and-a-half, two years later.

15 JOHN COX: Yeah.

16 MR. KORESH: And he says is your name, is  
17 your name Vernon Howell? And I go well, yeah, that's,  
18 that's one of my names. And he goes man, he says, you  
19 know, you don't know me, do you? And I says well, I  
20 think you look familiar. He goes I was one of the, I  
21 was one of the guys on the jury. He says, man, he says  
22 you know, I didn't, I didn't realize that in that  
23 case -- somehow I missed in that case that, that you  
24 all went out there with guns because the Sheriff's  
25 Department told you that there was dangerous people out  
there and you went out there to defend yourself.

1           He says, you know, he says and after that  
2 trial was done, he says man, I was real tired all the  
3 time, I was having to work and everything, you know.  
4 Besides that, I didn't -- you know, his regular job and  
5 all that he couldn't go to. He says and it was like,  
6 you know, man, he says and I just -- He says I'm really  
7 sorry about all that. He says if I, if I could have  
8 done it all over again, he says I would vote  
9 differently. He says but this, this one black guy with  
10 the other guy, he says, you know, he got all this extra  
11 information from, from the prosecuting attorney,  
12 Chebaz. Now, that right there -- You're not supposed  
13 to communicate with the jury, you know. And it was  
14 already known that they were friends at a certain club  
15 they were a part of.

16           And this kind of stuff -- Like I said, eight  
17 guys heavily armed, they say --

18           JOHN COX: Hey, and that's the best system we  
19 have, huh?

20           MR. KORESH: Well, wait a second. And they  
21 say that our objective was to kill George Roden.

22           JOHN COX: Sure. Sure, I remember that.

23           MR. KORESH: I mean, of all the rounds and  
24 the -- The objective was was to cause a diversion with  
25 the firearms. And all the rounds they picked up, you  
know, it's so obvious that no one was out there to fire

1 at George and to hurt George. But, anyway, now that's  
2 the situation of today.

3 JOHN COX: They, they, they never considered  
4 pursuing that prosecution any more, though, did they?

5 MR. KORESH: Well, they couldn't because, you  
6 see --

7 JOHN COX: Well, you never say couldn't.

8 MR. KORESH: No, they, they --

9 JOHN COX: Knowing the system.

10 MR. KORESH: No, but they, they can't.  
11 Here's the deal. When we got the property back, I  
12 turned in to the Sheriff's Department stacks --

13 JOHN COX: Uh-huh.

14 MR. KORESH: -- of literature that we  
15 uncovered from the property that dealt with the  
16 manufacturing and making of methamphetamine.

17 JOHN COX: Yeah.

18 MR. KORESH: Okay.

19 JOHN COX: Showing some good faith, huh?

20 MR. KORESH: Well --

21 JOHN COX: In reality.

22 MR. KORESH: -- we learned later that it was  
23 a very ignorant move.

24 JOHN COX: Yeah.

25 MR. KORESH: Because it was not used in our  
case. You see, the system here in Waco --

1                   JOHN COX: Excuse me. Your, your attorney  
2 couldn't bring it out to your benefit?

3                   MR. KORESH: No. What happened was is that  
4 it was, it was some kind of deadlock in regards to the  
5 collection of evidence.

6                   JOHN COX: Oh, okay.

7                   MR. KORESH: It was to turn in to the  
8 Sheriff's Department. And that, you know, that was  
9 not, that was not the, the -- The position they were  
10 trying to say what was being tried. But, of course,  
11 what the real issue was later on is that look, our --  
12 Waco should have been a lot bigger years ago than what  
13 it is, but it's just a known fact that certain, certain  
14 big and higher and ups here in Waco, you know -- Well,  
15 matter of fact, one of the, one of the feds that came  
16 out here recently that knew the District Attorney, you  
17 know, he said point-blank Waco is registered as one of  
18 the top methamphetamine places in the United States.

19                   The manufacture of it out here is, is greatly  
20 increased. Now they're saying that, that it's --  
21 there's an uprise in cocaine, you know, and, and, plus,  
22 another thing is --

23                   JOHN COX: That guy hasn't been into other  
24 major cities that's making that statement.

25                   MR. KORESH: Do what now?

                  JOHN COX: I would say that he has not been

1 in some other major cities --

2 MR. KORESH: No, you see, the --

3 JOHN COX: -- to make that statement.

4 MR. KORESH: The manufacturing of it out  
5 here, there is a lot of wide open --

6 JOHN COX: As opposed to the use of it?

7 MR. KORESH: Well, yeah, exactly. Now, the  
8 thing of it is is that the use -- a lot of the use of  
9 it around here is that a lot of kids around here take  
10 LSD. You know, you've got to remember that I go around  
11 and I used to play in stuff like --

12 JOHN COX: You mean still? In this area they  
13 still use it?

14 MR. KORESH: They still use it.

15 JOHN COX: Really? 'Cause, I mean --

16 MR. KORESH: Waco is one of the most --

17 JOHN COX: -- in, in most, in most other  
18 areas it's, it's certainly not the drug of choice of,  
19 of the young kids.

20 MR. KORESH: Right.

21 JOHN COX: Yeah.

22 MR. KORESH: But, anyway, the keynote is  
23 this. You did wrong.

24 JOHN COX: You -- Uncle Sam did wrong is what  
25 you're saying, right?

MR. KORESH: I'm saying you did wrong in

1 | allowing a smaller guy to do your job.

2 |           JOHN COX: Well, we can't really turn that  
3 | around, can we? I think --

4 |           MR. KORESH: Now, you're asking me --

5 |           JOHN COX: I think what you have to look at,  
6 | and maybe you haven't experienced it before and I don't  
7 | know, I'm just asking, really, any dealings with the  
8 | federal judicial system it's not like a state judicial  
9 | system, believe me.

10 |           MR. KORESH: Oh, we know.

11 |           JOHN COX: I mean, the, the, the courts --  
12 | The court meaning the judges -- are certainly not the  
13 | same. The, the, the atmosphere within a federal  
14 | courthouse is totally different, as are, I think, the,  
15 | the thoroughness within the federal system. Federal  
16 | judicial system is much more thorough and I think  
17 | people's rights are explained much more clearly to them  
18 | and I think it's like night and day. And I've been in  
19 | both and I've been involved in both over the years, and  
20 | I think it's a different ballgame, totally different.

21 |           And, and I think there's something that,  
22 | that, you know, you should understand is --

23 |           MR. KORESH: When did, when did, when did the  
24 | agents out here loose their rights to be an agent?

25 |           JOHN COX: When did they -- I don't -- I  
mean, I'm not -- I don't appreciate what you're, you're

1 asking me.

2 MR. KORESH: I'm saying when did the agents  
3 who got shot out here lose their rights to be an agent?

4 JOHN COX: I, I don't know what you mean.  
5 I'm not trying to avoid answering you.

6 MR. KORESH: I know, you misunderstand what  
7 I'm trying to say. Leave things this way.

8 JOHN COX: Go ahead.

9 MR. KORESH: When is a, a defense action --

10 JOHN COX: When are you overstepping your  
11 bounds, is that what -- is that --

12 MR. KORESH: Well, we already know they  
13 overstepped their bounds.

14 JOHN COX: Well --

15 MR. KORESH: No doubt about it. I mean, they  
16 were already told --

17 JOHN COX: That's your, that's your  
18 interpretation of it. Someone else is going to  
19 interpret it some other way.

20 MR. KORESH: Well, wait a minute. Do you  
21 work for me or do I work for you?

22 JOHN COX: Neither one.

23 MR. KORESH: Oh, I see.

24 JOHN COX: I'm a taxpayer.

25 MR. KORESH: I see.

JOHN COX: I work for the citizenry. I work

1 and I answer to the Constitution.

2 MR. KORESH: So you're answering the  
3 citizen --

4 JOHN COX: And I work for you, per se.

5 MR. KORESH: Now, wait.

6 JOHN COX: As well as everybody else.

7 MR. KORESH: Now, wait, wait. Now, you're  
8 working for -- You're telling the citizens, the public,  
9 what's going on, but I'm not allowed to.

10 JOHN COX: I'm not telling the public  
11 anything.

12 MR. KORESH: I say the ATF, the FBI is  
13 telling the public what's going on.

14 JOHN COX: Oh, okay, having their press  
15 conferences and their, their dealings with the media.  
16 That's what you're, you're getting to.

17 MR. KORESH: Right.

18 JOHN COX: Sure.

19 MR. KORESH: But I'm not, I'm not able to do  
20 that.

21 JOHN COX: Yes, you are.

22 MR. KORESH: No, I'm not.

23 JOHN COX: You are.

24 MR. KORESH: I am not.

25 JOHN COX: You want me to give you the, the  
way to do it? You know what the way to do it is, don't



1 | you?

2 |           MR. KORESH: I know what your way is.

3 |           JOHN COX: No, no, no.

4 |           MR. KORESH: But I also know what my way is,  
5 | too.

6 |           JOHN COX: What?

7 |           MR. KORESH: Well, that's what you're fixing  
8 | to find out.

9 |           JOHN COX: Well, you had one opportunity to  
10 | do it, didn't you?

11 |           MR. KORESH: Well, what was done at that  
12 | point --

13 |           JOHN COX: On the tape?

14 |           MR. KORESH: What was done at that point --

15 |           JOHN COX: And nobody, and nobody was using  
16 | any, you know, chicanery or trickery or anything else  
17 | there. We, we were pretty straightforward with you --

18 |           MR. KORESH: Exactly.

19 |           JOHN COX: -- and said that this is your  
20 | opportunity to do it. And did we play games about it?  
21 | No, we, we gave it to the media, and I think --

22 |           MR. KORESH: No, the games were played when  
23 | the --

24 |           JOHN COX: I think it was accepted, huh?

25 |           MR. KORESH: The games were played is when  
the violation of promise were being broken in regards

1 to the activities taking place around here on the  
2 property, of which the media --

3 JOHN COX: There was something broken before  
4 that.

5 MR. KORESH: -- of which the -- No, that was  
6 not true. No, it was not.

7 JOHN COX: When you said you were coming out.

8 MR. KORESH: Well, I'd already said I was  
9 coming out. They had already been violating that  
10 trust.

11 JOHN COX: No.

12 MR. KORESH: Yes. Are you here? Are you  
13 seeing these things?

14 JOHN COX: Am I right out there?

15 MR. KORESH: Then maybe we can work this out  
16 because when I have to --

17 JOHN COX: You mean am I physically right out  
18 where you are?

19 MR. KORESH: -- when I have to tell, when I  
20 have to tell Jim he's a damned liar --

21 JOHN COX: But you shouldn't have said that.

22 MR. KORESH: Oh, but I did because it's the  
23 truth.

24 JOHN COX: No.

25 MR. KORESH: When he's telling me one thing,  
and I'm looking and seeing another, and he's telling me

1 I'm wrong, he's telling me that my perception and  
2 vision is wrong, then we have to draw a line.

3 JOHN COX: Well, I'm sure what Jim meant was,  
4 and, and I'm not here to put words in Jim's mouth, he  
5 can certainly do that for himself, is that there have  
6 been miscommunications. There were miscommunications  
7 six days ago, weren't there, and prior to that time.

8 MR. KORESH: Which is going to get more  
9 people killed, right? Something you say you don't want  
10 have to happen, and you're doing everything to make it  
11 happen.

12 JOHN COX: I am? Right now? Or we are?

13 MR. KORESH: When I say you --

14 JOHN COX: I understand what you're saying.

15 MR. KORESH: When I say you, I'm not talking  
16 about you, I'm talking about --

17 JOHN COX: Law enforcement.

18 MR. KORESH: -- what you say is the  
19 enforcement of law.

20 JOHN COX: Sure.

21 MR. KORESH: Okay.

22 JOHN COX: I know it's not a personal issue.

23 MR. KORESH: Exactly. And I mean, you're,  
24 you're doing your talking and I'm, I'm doing my  
25 talking. I'm a mediator and you're a mediator.

JOHN COX: Yeah, but the bottom line is who

1 | is it up to? Who is going to have to make the  
2 | decision?

3 | MR. KORESH: Well, God is.

4 | JOHN COX: You are.

5 | MR. KORESH: God is --

6 | JOHN COX: No, you are.

7 | MR. KORESH: -- and you are. No, God is.

8 | JOHN COX: Is that so?

9 | MR. KORESH: Remember, remember, I --

10 | JOHN COX: The bottom line is you're the one  
11 | that's going to hear God, right?

12 | MR. KORESH: Yes, I'm the one listening to  
13 | God and you're the one listening to the law, your  
14 | system.

15 | JOHN COX: And I'm listening to you.

16 | MR. KORESH: That's not true. You're  
17 | listening at me and I'm listening at you.

18 | JOHN COX: Well, I'm listening to you. I'm  
19 | not ignoring you, you know. And I'm -- And in my own  
20 | way -- And, again, speaking not only for me but for the  
21 | system. In my way, I'm trying to do what I think is in  
22 | your best interest, in the best interest of the people  
23 | in there and in the best interest of the people out  
24 | here to peacefully, successfully bring this to a  
25 | resolution. And, and that's where the conflict lies,  
doesn't it? You know, because you have to make up your

1 mind when you're ready to come out of there.

2 MR. KORESH: I'm ready right now.

3 JOHN COX: There's no -- Well, there's no --

4 MR. KORESH: I, I was ready yesterday. I was  
5 ready the past few days.

6 JOHN COX: -- there's, there's no question --  
7 See, there's no question in my mind that you're coming  
8 out of there and you're going to lead your flock out of  
9 there.

10 MR. KORESH: We've got to remember --

11 JOHN COX: But it's -- The only question is  
12 when.

13 MR. KORESH: That's the question. Now, we  
14 also --

15 JOHN COX: Isn't that the bottom line?

16 MR. KORESH: Yeah, the bottom line is that  
17 you're denying and being -- Okay, look, Psalm 75, King  
18 David was the king, wasn't he? He could kill a person  
19 if he wanted to, couldn't he?

20 JOHN COX: Sure.

21 MR. KORESH: He was a political leader,  
22 wasn't he?

23 JOHN COX: Absolutely.

24 MR. KORESH: He had a nation backing him.  
25 But, of course, David kind of talks funny. He says, in  
Psalm 75 he says when I shall receive the congregation

1 I shall judge them rightly.

2 JOHN COX: Yeah.

3 MR. KORESH: It says the name of the Lord is  
4 near as wondrous words declare. He says I said to the  
5 fool, fools, deal not foolishly, and to the wicked,  
6 lift not up your horn on high, speak not with a stiff  
7 neck, for promotion comes neither from east nor from  
8 the west nor from the south, but God is the judge for  
9 he sets up one and puts down another. In the hand of  
10 the Lord, there's a cup and the mixture is red. And he  
11 poured not of the same and all the wicked of the earth  
12 will ring the dregs of this cup out and drink them.

13 All the horns of the wicked shall be cut off.  
14 Now, you probably wouldn't understand that statement  
15 unless you knew about God on the throne, about a lamb,  
16 about a --

17 JOHN COX: You know what? I would really  
18 have to sit down and, and spend some time to totally  
19 appreciate that statement. I really would. To let it  
20 absorb.

21 MR. KORESH: It's the same as Psalms 18.

22 JOHN COX: You know, but I'm, I'm just --

23 MR. KORESH: Talks about God --

24 JOHN COX: -- I'm just not as well versed as  
25 you are, and I'd be a fool to try and say that I  
wasn't. And I'm not here to try and, you know, to

1 compete with you on that level.

2 MR. KORESH: But you're not trying to  
3 understand with me on my level, either, but you --

4 JOHN COX: Yeah, I am.

5 MR. KORESH: But you're -- you want me to  
6 understand on your level.

7 JOHN COX: No, I'm not. I've been, I've  
8 been --

9 MR. KORESH: Well, definitely. That's why  
10 we're negotiating.

11 JOHN COX: This isn't give and take.

12 MR. KORESH: And I agree with you.

13 Everything you say I agree with you. You know? And,  
14 and according to my carnality, I would more than ever  
15 love to be able to come out and to, and to go ahead and  
16 go through the system, whatever the system wants me to  
17 go through, to be able to resolve this situation. A  
18 lot would be learned out of this.

19 JOHN COX: Sure it will.

20 MR. KORESH: I'm so sad that people got hurt.  
21 I'm so sad that things had to happen like this.

22 JOHN COX: Well, don't you think I am? And  
23 saying I. We are?

24 MR. KORESH: Well, I, I think you've learned  
25 a great lesson out of this, hopefully.

JOHN COX: I don't want to see anybody get

1 | hurt. You know, I'd like to be able to say I went  
2 | through an entire career, and it's been over 31 years  
3 | so far, that no one has been hurt. But sometimes it  
4 | just doesn't work out that way, does it?

5 |           MR. KORESH: Sometimes we have to be checked  
6 | sometimes, and by getting hurt on the things we don't  
7 | properly keep in fit, you know. When you don't, when  
8 | you don't chain your bicycle chain, we don't think keep  
9 | things in check, we don't make sure things work  
10 | smoothly, then sometimes things break. We get hurt.

11 |           JOHN COX: You know, basically, when, when I  
12 | said that, you know, you're the person that's going to  
13 | make the decision, and, and there's no question in my  
14 | mind that you're coming out of there --

15 |           MR. KORESH: What's your, what's your name  
16 | again?

17 |           JOHN COX: John.

18 |           MR. KORESH: John, let me explain something.

19 |           JOHN COX: And, and that --

20 |           MR. KORESH: Do you believe --

21 |           JOHN COX: Let me just finish and then go  
22 | ahead. It's, it's that I believe you are coming out  
23 | and you are going to lead your flock out there because  
24 | you've got children out here that, that certainly want  
25 | to see their mothers and fathers again. And, and, and  
I know it's going to happen. But when, when I ask you



1 to be responsible and to lead these people, you just  
2 keep passing the buck back to me and start preaching to  
3 me.

4 MR. KORESH: Wait, wait a minute, wait a  
5 minute, John. Wait.

6 JOHN COX: Go ahead, get comfortable.

7 MR. KORESH: Wait a minute. I had to cough.  
8 When I cough, it's like someone --

9 JOHN COX: And, and understand, I'm not  
10 saying this in an argumentative mood.

11 MR. KORESH: John, would you listen to me?  
12 For Godness sake, look, I just told you when I cough --  
13 I've got a hole in my back, all right?

14 JOHN COX: Go ahead. Go ahead.

15 MR. KORESH: I mean, for crying out loud, I  
16 didn't want to, I didn't want to put you away, but I've  
17 just got to catch my breath here a second. Okay, now,  
18 preaching to you. All right, you want to call it  
19 preaching. Okay, let me lay some things straight then.

20 JOHN COX: Go ahead.

21 MR. KORESH: I'm not preaching to you, I'm  
22 promising you.

23 JOHN COX: What are you promising?

24 MR. KORESH: I'm promising you that a book  
25 you don't know is going to take you by surprise, unless  
you humble yourself and you stop and think to ask

1 | yourself just maybe there might be a chance this man  
2 | just might be real.

3 |           JOHN COX: You mean -- How humble do I have  
4 | to humble myself?

5 |           MR. KORESH: First of all, you need to learn  
6 | the fear of God.

7 |           JOHN COX: You don't think I, I appreciate  
8 | the fear of God?

9 |           MR. KORESH: No, you don't know what it is.

10 |           JOHN COX: Well, that's where I beg to differ  
11 | with you.

12 |           MR. KORESH: Well, seven seals, explain it to  
13 | me.

14 |           JOHN COX: I can't do that.

15 |           MR. KORESH: Okay, you don't know the fear of  
16 | God.

17 |           JOHN COX: But I do because I, I --

18 |           MR. KORESH: You know the way you know. You  
19 | don't know the last --

20 |           JOHN COX: I'm a god-fearing person.

21 |           MR. KORESH: Which god?

22 |           JOHN COX: The Father, the Son and the Holy  
23 | Ghost.

24 |           MR. KORESH: Now, wait a minute. The Father  
25 | sits on the throne and he's got a book with seven  
seals. Prove it to me --

1 JOHN COX: Don't start rattling to me now.

2 MR. KORESH: Prove it to me you know what  
3 you're talking about.

4 JOHN COX: Why do I have --

5 MR. KORESH: What's the word of God?

6 JOHN COX: Why do I have to prove it to you?

7 MR. KORESH: Oh, because I know you're not of  
8 my spirit if you don't know. We say we know and  
9 testify we do. And you openly state you don't. Now,  
10 we're definitely two opposites.

11 JOHN COX: Do, do I have to prove my  
12 religious beliefs to someone on a daily basis?

13 MR. KORESH: If you're calling me a brother,  
14 you've got to prove it.

15 JOHN COX: No, I don't have to do that.

16 MR. KORESH: Remember, there's the sons of  
17 God and the sons of the devil. Remember that.

18 JOHN COX: I just -- I, I truly believe that  
19 we are all the children of God, no matter what our, our  
20 religious beliefs are, as long as they're not --

21 MR. KORESH: Christ says to the people --

22 JOHN COX: -- antagonistic.

23 MR. KORESH: Christ says to the people in  
24 this day your father's the devil. Now, boy, what kind  
25 of Christ is that?

JOHN COX: Well, it's not the way I look at

1 | it.

2 |           MR. KORESH: Ahhh. (Groaning with pain.)  
3 | Ohhh, I guess I'm being punished for talking so rough  
4 | to you.

5 |           JOHN COX: Hey, just calm down.

6 |           MR. KORESH: Ohhh. Oh, boy, I tell you what.  
7 | Okay, but, you know, Christ does make a distinction  
8 | between the sons of God and the sons of Satan.

9 |           JOHN COX: Sure.

10 |           MR. KORESH: So, anyway, let's hope that we  
11 | all have ears to hear, and I'm listening to you and  
12 | we're speaking --

13 |           JOHN COX: And we're going to work it out.

14 |           MR. KORESH: -- from the heart.

15 |           JOHN COX: You know that, don't you? It's  
16 | going to work out.

17 |           MR. KORESH: Yeah. So, like I say, you put  
18 | faith in my God and I'll put faith in your God and  
19 | let's see these two guys work this out.

20 |           JOHN COX: Let me, let me ask you a couple of  
21 | things. One is we've been getting a lot of inquiries  
22 | and, and I know it's been mentioned to you before from  
23 | not only the media, but from people calling in. And,  
24 | and they've been calling in not just to the FBI, but  
25 | to, to the -- to ATF and I guess to other people, too,  
about trying to either relay messages to loved ones

1 | that are there with you or to determine the, the status  
2 | of them. And what I'm talking about that is are they  
3 | healthy, are they --

4 |           MR. KORESH: Are they dead?

5 |           JOHN COX: Are they okay?

6 |           MR. KORESH: Like we just found one that's  
7 | dead. We've been wondering where he was

8 |           JOHN COX: Yeah.

9 |           MR. KORESH: -- and we found him and you all  
10 | won't come and pick him up like you promised. You  
11 | wanted to get him out.

12 |           JOHN COX: But --

13 |           MR. KORESH: You lied.

14 |           JOHN COX: I'm not lying to you and no one,  
15 | no one else is lying to you. It's just --

16 |           MR. KORESH: Why do you call it then?

17 |           JOHN COX: It's going to have to be worked  
18 | out safely. And, and I'll --

19 |           MR. KORESH: Let me, let me get my dictionary  
20 | out and put another word in there next to the word  
21 | "lie" 'cause what --

22 |           JOHN COX: Hang on just a minute. We're not  
23 | lying. I'd, I'd love to have that person removed from  
24 | there. And, and the people that I'm answering to I  
25 | think would like to resolve it, but what they would  
   | like is for someone to accompany that body. And I

1 think --

2 MR. KORESH: Nobody trusts you.

3 JOHN COX: And I think that can be worked  
4 out.

5 MR. KORESH: Nobody trusts you yet.

6 JOHN COX: Why?

7 MR. KORESH: Because they know what they  
8 believe and they believe what they know. Otherwise,  
9 they'll come out to you. Two ladies already trusted  
10 you because, you know, they trusted Jim.

11 JOHN COX: Yeah? They're no worse for the  
12 wear. Nor are the children that trusted and came out.  
13 They didn't just trust me, they trusted you --

14 MR. KORESH: The children come out --

15 JOHN COX: -- to come out here.

16 MR. KORESH: The children came out because,  
17 first of all --

18 JOHN COX: You made the selection which  
19 children would come out and they trusted you and they  
20 trusted your --

21 MR. KORESH: The children --

22 JOHN COX: -- faith in me, in us.

23 MR. KORESH: -- are not accountable as of yet  
24 for knowing faith, the principle of knowing and  
25 understanding God's will through his word.

JOHN COX: But they've listened --

1 MR. KORESH: They do not have that.

2 JOHN COX: -- to you, haven't they? They've  
3 listened to your sermons.

4 MR. KORESH: Just as your children will  
5 listen to you as the father in your house.

6 JOHN COX: Well, sure.

7 MR. KORESH: You have to --

8 JOHN COX: But what about the children that  
9 aren't my own immediate flesh and blood? Do they all  
10 listen to me and respect me that, that come visit me in  
11 my house? No.

12 MR. KORESH: Absolutely not.

13 JOHN COX: They may nod as they're coming  
14 through, right?

15 MR. KORESH: To give you the respect due that  
16 they should.

17 JOHN COX: Well, that's true, that's true.  
18 And, and the issue that you raise about the situation  
19 where we have somebody outside, you know, somebody's  
20 out there that we'd like to remove, I'm being very  
21 sincere with you in saying that I was told that if we  
22 can have someone accompany that body that body will be  
23 removed. And I can't make it any clearer, any more  
24 distinct than that that that will happen.

25 MR. KORESH: Okay. Then here's the answer.

JOHN COX: Go ahead.

1 MR. KORESH: No.

2 JOHN COX: Why?

3 MR. KORESH: Because the same reasons that  
4 you make a statement, I make a statement. You are  
5 showing that you by the previous statement have lied,  
6 just as you have been able to publicize to all United  
7 States that I have lied. Jim said, after I presented  
8 to him where I was coming from, that he believed that I  
9 was true.

10 JOHN COX: Oh, is that wrong?

11 MR. KORESH: Well, ask Jim now. Where's Jim  
12 at? He said he was going to stay with me through to  
13 the end.

14 JOHN COX: No, I'm saying was it wrong for  
15 him to believe what you said to him was the truth, when  
16 you told him, you know, I'll make this tape, we'll  
17 present this tape, we'll put the tape over the air, the  
18 tape goes out over the air I'm coming out --

19 MR. KORESH: You're talking about --

20 JOHN COX: Was it wrong for him to accept  
21 that as being truthful?

22 MR. KORESH: You're talking about, you're  
23 talking about number 75 to 100. I'm talking about  
24 numbers 1 to 75.

25 JOHN COX: What, what are you talking about?

MR. KORESH: Well, I'm saying that in a



1 conversation which you knew nothing about --

2 JOHN COX: Yeah.

3 MR. KORESH: -- you know, the first two or  
4 three days, things were established, things were --

5 JOHN COX: Ground rules.

6 MR. KORESH: Yes. And consistently there  
7 began to be a violation and, realistically, the way I  
8 got this information that I offer is the way that you  
9 wouldn't believe though I told it to you. And I --

10 JOHN COX: Well, maybe someday you will.

11 MR. KORESH: I am subject to God first and to  
12 you second.

13 JOHN COX: Okay.

14 MR. KORESH: Now, as far as everything --

15 JOHN COX: I'm not going to argue that with  
16 you.

17 MR. KORESH: As far as everything you said, I  
18 agree with you. I agree, I want to come out because,  
19 you know, my soul is in the hand of God. I am not  
20 worried about that.

21 JOHN COX: Sure.

22 MR. KORESH: If I have done wrong in your  
23 sight, then you will be the judge. Only God can  
24 overthrow your judgments. Only the living God can make  
25 right what man has done wrong.

JOHN COX: Um-hum.

1 MR. KORESH: You know, the innocent crying to  
2 God and commit their soul to God. Okay. Now, when it  
3 comes down to what I'm trying to say, you do not  
4 believe me. You think that I'm sitting back here in my  
5 own mind saying oh, I'm scared, I want to go out.

6 JOHN COX: I don't think you're scared at  
7 all.

8 MR. KORESH: You know, you --

9 JOHN COX: I really, truly do not think  
10 you're scared at all. You know, I think you've got a  
11 lot of willpower, a lot of stamina, and you've got very  
12 strong beliefs. And I don't think you're afraid. I  
13 think that you have told me that you're waiting to hear  
14 a voice to tell you how you're going to react.

15 MR. KORESH: That's what I --

16 JOHN COX: I accept that. I accept that  
17 you're going to hear that voice.

18 MR. KORESH: You believe that the prophets of  
19 old had visions?

20 JOHN COX: Do I believe that the prophets had  
21 visions?

22 MR. KORESH: Right.

23 JOHN COX: Well, sure. Do you think I can  
24 have a vision? Let me ask you that. Do you think I  
25 can?

MR. KORESH: Who sits on the throne?

1 JOHN COX: You're not answering my question.

2 MR. KORESH: Well, based upon --

3 JOHN COX: Can I have a vision?

4 MR. KORESH: Based upon --

5 JOHN COX: And I'm not being a smart aleck  
6 with you. I'm asking you a candid question. Do you  
7 think I can have a vision?

8 MR. KORESH: Well, I know that you can but --

9 JOHN COX: That's right. That's the answer  
10 to the question.

11 MR. KORESH: Wait, wait, wait. I would  
12 question by what source it came.

13 JOHN COX: Why?

14 MR. KORESH: Because if you're a servant of  
15 God, the vision would come by God. So, if you're a  
16 servant of God --

17 JOHN COX: That's because I believe in  
18 prayer, though.

19 MR. KORESH: Okay. So, if you're a servant  
20 of God, show me the seven seals, my friend.

21 JOHN COX: I can't do that.

22 MR. KORESH: Then you're not a servant of  
23 God. You don't -- You lack the credentials. I would  
24 like to give you the credentials.

25 JOHN COX: And I'm not going to debate you  
over that, but I can certainly have a vision, can't I?

1 MR. KORESH: Um-hum.

2 JOHN COX: Through prayer and through other  
3 things I can have them.

4 MR. KORESH: Remember, there's also God of  
5 the world, too.

6 JOHN COX: And I'm not going to argue that  
7 with you. It's, it's how we interpret things. And,  
8 and I interpret that you're not afraid. I mean, you  
9 may think that I think you're afraid. I don't think  
10 you're afraid, I think you're a man, a man of God and a  
11 god-fearing man and that when the time comes and when  
12 you hear what you say you have to hear that I will see  
13 you again, and it's going to be right here in Texas  
14 outside that compound, and that we will meet and you  
15 and Henry and Jim and Dick --

16 MR. KORESH: How tall are you?

17 JOHN COX: Probably not any taller than you  
18 are. About six feet. And that's --

19 MR. KORESH: How much do you weigh?

20 JOHN COX: Huh?

21 MR. KORESH: How much do you weigh?

22 JOHN COX: Well, I, I probably weigh a couple  
23 pounds more than you do right now. You've been through  
24 kind of a traumatic -- You want me to tell you the  
25 truth or can I fudge a little on my weight? You know,  
women never tell their weight, either, do they?

1 MR. KORESH: Okay.

2 JOHN COX: Okay. That's kind of a testy  
3 question. But, no, I think we're going to see one  
4 another and I truly believe that. And I hope you do.

5 MR. KORESH: I believe it.

6 JOHN COX: And, and I hope you'll get --

7 MR. KORESH: I hope for it.

8 JOHN COX: And I hope that we're going to  
9 resolve this through the judicial system.

10 MR. KORESH: Definitely, it's the judgment --

11 JOHN COX: Because you and I and every  
12 citizen have the same rights under the Constitution.  
13 The same rights under the Constitution. And I don't  
14 want to have my rights violated, nor should you want  
15 your rights to be violated. And where do we get this  
16 resolved? Through the judicial process. And as we  
17 both said earlier, it may not be the greatest but it's  
18 the best we've got, huh?

19 MR. KORESH: Yeah, it's the best in the  
20 world. Honest to God, it's the best in the world.

21 JOHN COX: Sure it is.

22 MR. KORESH: And I sure would like to have  
23 this nation take the opportunity to, to take a hint  
24 from an authority above and beyond them to, to sit down  
25 and get on our knees and admit to God they don't know  
the seals before they end up being in trouble they

1 | can't get out of. I know we're living in awesome times  
2 | right now. Awesome times.

3 |           JOHN COX: And it's, and it's difficult to  
4 | have that, that feeling that you may be someplace that  
5 | you can't get out of, but you can. You can. And I  
6 | don't mean you as an individual, you as a group, but we  
7 | all can get out of difficult situations. Now, maybe we  
8 | have to pray sometimes to resolve it, you know.  
9 | There's nothing like prayer, is there? You know it and  
10 | I know it.

11 |           MR. KORESH: Well, if God wants us to hear  
12 | what he wants to say right now, the prayer line's kind  
13 | of been closed to a large degree because, like I say --

14 |           JOHN COX: Yeah, but too many people aren't  
15 | willing to do it, are they? To pray?

16 |           MR. KORESH: No, not too much.

17 |           JOHN COX: There is that --

18 |           MR. KORESH: They don't know how to pray.

19 |           JOHN COX: -- supreme being up there.

20 |           MR. KORESH: They don't know what they should  
21 | pray for. They don't know what's on the agenda.

22 |           JOHN COX: Well, they ought to pray to get a  
23 | little grace to do things right, huh?

24 |           MR. KORESH: Yeah, like "Our Father Who Art  
25 | in Heaven", that's one of the prayers.

          JOHN COX: Nothing wrong with it.

1 MR. KORESH: "Hallowed be thy name, thy  
2 kingdom come." Let's meet his law, his will, "Thy will  
3 be done," whatever his will is, "on earth as it is in  
4 heaven." Well, we know the last will of God is the  
5 revelation of Christ's seven seals, don't we? But, of  
6 course, some people don't care to know that will, do  
7 they?

8 JOHN COX: They really don't, do they?

9 MR. KORESH: No.

10 JOHN COX: No. And, and it's a shame. And,  
11 and it's probably people like you and, and others that,  
12 that can have some positive effect on these people, you  
13 know, to, to try and get them to understand. And, and  
14 we all have a different way of going about it, but the,  
15 the bottom line is I know that you're coming out of  
16 there and you know that you're coming out of there.  
17 And it's only a matter of time and then the mothers  
18 will be with the children and the fathers will be with  
19 the children. And --

20 MR. KORESH: Now, come on, not all of them.

21 JOHN COX: No, they won't.

22 MR. KORESH: Some of us --

23 JOHN COX: I'd be a fool to tell you that  
24 they all will.

25 MR. KORESH: Exactly. So let's --

JOHN COX: And I'm, I'm --

1 MR. KORESH: Let's put our prayers in and --

2 JOHN COX: But I'm not lying to you.

3 MR. KORESH: I know. I believe you.

4 JOHN COX: You know? But the system that we  
5 have gives you a pretty good chance because you get to  
6 tell your side of the story and you get to bring your  
7 facts out and you get to bring your witnesses out. And  
8 a jury of your peers gets to listen to that. And you  
9 can bring in, literally, any statement, any evidence,  
10 anything you want before the court of law. And if  
11 you're not satisfied with the judicial -- the results  
12 of the initial judicial proceedings, we've got an  
13 appellate system, and it goes on and on.

14 Plus, you have the opportunity to speak to  
15 the media, and I'll guarantee you that --

16 MR. KORESH: The best in the world.

17 JOHN COX: -- that it will work. If you come  
18 out of there, you will be allowed to speak to the  
19 media, and that's something you want to do, isn't it?

20 MR. KORESH: Well, the media, like I say,  
21 they're -- they've got a story they want to publish.

22 JOHN COX: Oh, yeah, they all want to be the  
23 first, too, don't they? Huh?

24 MR. KORESH: Oh, yeah.

25 JOHN COX: Whether it's writing a book,  
putting a movie together, or, or hitting the, hitting



1 | the print. But --

2 |           MR. KORESH: Oh --

3 |           JOHN COX: -- I don't think I would be

4 | overstepping my bounds to tell you that when you come

5 | out of there you will be given the opportunity --

6 |           MR. KORESH: What's --

7 |           JOHN COX: -- to speak to the media.

8 |           MR. KORESH: Okay, yeah. One second.

9 | What's --

10 |           JOHN COX: And that's an important thing.

11 |           MR. KORESH: Right. Steve, what was that

12 | actor's name, Mel what?

13 |           STEVE: Mel Gibson.

14 |           MR. KORESH: Mel Gibson. I want Mel Gibson

15 | to play my part.

16 |           JOHN COX: You've got a good sense of humor,

17 | huh?

18 |           MR. KORESH: Well, he's, he's --

19 |           JOHN COX: He's a piece of work.

20 |           MR. KORESH: He's crazy, isn't he?

21 |           JOHN COX: You know, he is a piece of work.

22 | The other thing I think that you have to remember, and,

23 | and I haven't heard it mentioned in, in the several

24 | days that I've been here, is that you are presumed

25 | innocent until convicted in a court of law.

          MR. KORESH: (Laughing.) I was presumed

1 | guilty back --

2 |               JOHN COX: No, no, no.

3 |               MR. KORESH: Come on now.

4 |               JOHN COX: You may have been presumed guilty  
5 | by somebody. Do you think the media has presumed you  
6 | guilty?

7 |               MR. KORESH: Come on, people are dead around  
8 | here because of my presumption of being guilty of  
9 | something.

10 |              JOHN COX: No. Do you think the media has  
11 | presumed that?

12 |              MR. KORESH: Have you ever heard of a  
13 | National Gun Rights Association and the movie "The ATF:  
14 | Breaking the Law in the Name of the Law"? Have you  
15 | ever seen that movie?

16 |              JOHN COX: I doubt it.

17 |              MR. KORESH: Oh, you should watch it. It's  
18 | got even --

19 |              JOHN COX: I really like to watch  
20 | documentaries and things of humor more than anything  
21 | else.

22 |              MR. KORESH: Well, no, no, this, this, this  
23 | is funny.

24 |              JOHN COX: I don't like all that shoot 'em up  
25 | stuff.

              MR. KORESH: Yeah, but it happens. So you

1 | wouldn't turn your back on it. Anyway --

2 |           JOHN COX: No, I don't.

3 |           MR. KORESH: -- look, I've got to move again  
4 | and I've got to get this bowl of soup. I haven't been  
5 | able to -- Every time I take a drink of it, it makes me  
6 | cough and I get kicked in the back again.

7 |           JOHN COX: Let me, let me ask you something.  
8 | And, and maybe, and maybe you need to take a little  
9 | break, huh? How, how can, how can we resolve the issue  
10 | where these people are calling in and they're asking  
11 | questions about their loved ones? If, if I give you  
12 | the names of -- And I'll be happy to give you the names  
13 | not only of the people that are presumed to be in  
14 | there, but the names of the people that are asking  
15 | about them. Do you think you could give me some  
16 | answers?

17 |           MR. KORESH: Well, sure. If, if Oliver and  
18 | Elizabeth, the Gvarfas, are over here from Australia  
19 | yet --

20 |           JOHN COX: I can't tell you off the top of my  
21 | head.

22 |           MR. KORESH: Well, now --

23 |           JOHN COX: But I'll be happy to try to find  
24 | out.

25 |           MR. KORESH: -- I know they're coming. I  
   | know they're coming. I know they'll be coming.

1 JOHN COX: Somebody'll --

2 MR. KORESH: Tell them that -- You know, they  
3 are the --

4 JOHN COX: Oliver and Elizabeth. Give me the  
5 last name, will you?

6 MR. KORESH: Gyarfias.

7 JOHN COX: How do you spell it?

8 MR. KORESH: It's, it's Hungarian.

9 JOHN COX: Sure. I'll just put it down  
10 phonetically.

11 MR. KORESH: Anyway, you know, they, they  
12 have, they have a granddaughter and there's another one  
13 expected here shortly.

14 JOHN COX: Yeah.

15 MR. KORESH: So, you know, there's a, there's  
16 a, there's a young lady here that'll be having a  
17 baby --

18 JOHN COX: What's her name?

19 MR. KORESH: -- sometime. Her name is Isha.

20 JOHN COX: Isha? Like I-S-H-A?

21 MR. KORESH: Yeah, Isha. It's like the  
22 biblical Isha.

23 JOHN COX: Okay.

24 MR. KORESH: Isha.

25 JOHN COX: And she is their what?

MR. KORESH: She's here now.

1           JOHN COX: No, no, she's what relationship  
2 between them? She's their daughter?

3           MR. KORESH: She's their daughter, yeah.

4           JOHN COX: Okay. Okay. She's all right?

5           MR. KORESH: Oh, yeah, she's fine.

6           JOHN COX: How, how, how far gone is she?

7           MR. KORESH: I think she's what, in her  
8 eighth month.

9           JOHN COX: Really?

10          MR. KORESH: Something like that.

11          JOHN COX: Really?

12          MR. KORESH: Yeah.

13          JOHN COX: And she's, she's doing okay, huh?

14          MR. KORESH: Yeah.

15          JOHN COX: Because I'm being serious with  
16 you, I want to let these people know. You know, I  
17 think they've got a right to know. I mean, they're  
18 concerned, you know, and a lot of people have gone  
19 through an awful lot, you know, on both sides here.  
20 And it's, and it's not comfortable for anyone. Let me  
21 ask you something else. You mentioned early on about  
22 the sandbox. Well, what, what's the sandbox? I jotted  
23 down a little note and it went right on by.

24          MR. KORESH: Call, call your generals and ask  
25 them.

          JOHN COX: Oh, we don't have generals. You

1 know that.

2 MR. KORESH: Well, call your bosses and

3 say --

4 JOHN COX: Well, we have those.

5 MR. KORESH: -- say bosses, sandbox, no, no.

6 JOHN COX: Oh. I mean, I'm, I'm asking you.

7 MR. KORESH: See, this, this, this is a code

8 word from the camp. Sandbox, no, no.

9 JOHN COX: I mean, are you addressing the

10 entire facility as the sandbox?

11 MR. KORESH: No, I'm addressing the sandbox,

12 which is the children's sandbox.

13 JOHN COX: Oh, really?

14 MR. KORESH: Yeah.

15 JOHN COX: I mean, I'm asking you candidly

16 because --

17 MR. KORESH: Well, I'm saying, I'm saying to

18 you --

19 JOHN COX: They, they do have a sandbox out

20 there. That's what you're saying?

21 MR. KORESH: Yeah. Every ATF agent knows.

22 JOHN COX: Well, I don't. I wouldn't have

23 asked, I really wouldn't.

24 MR. KORESH: Okay. Well, just simply send a

25 message sandbox no, no.

JOHN COX: Okay. Okay. Don't let any kitty

1 | litter in there, either, huh?

2 | (End of Tape #61.)

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TAPE #62

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1 (Tape 62)

2 DAVID: -- about it. She doesn't want to go,  
3 but --

4 JOHN: But do you have, do you have  
5 everything that you need to, to hopefully do it  
6 successfully?

7 DAVID: Oh, yeah.

8 JOHN: You have medication and stuff like  
9 that?

10 DAVID: Yeah. I mean, when it, when it  
11 comes, when it comes down, if we're still here,  
12 hopefully we're not, if it comes down, then a quick  
13 call to you and a quick call to, you know --

14 JOHN: You've got it.

15 DAVID: -- a unit, you know, a doctor or  
16 something like that if something will be requiring.  
17 And I don't want any slow poke and I don't want any  
18 kind of let's work a deal kind of stuff. Then I will  
19 get mad.

20 JOHN: No, you know better than that, huh?  
21 Now, let, let me ask you something else. Last night  
22 when you were talking to Henry, you were mentioning an  
23 Antonio Munoz who apparently was, was pretty close to  
24 you.

25 DAVID: Oh, I loved that man.

JOHN: In your youth, huh?

1           DAVID: Oh, yeah.

2           JOHN: Is he still with us?

3           DAVID: He's alive, yeah.

4           JOHN: Is he? Where?

5           DAVID: He, he lives down in Saxony, near  
6 Saxony, Texas. The last -- he also, he also had  
7 property in Plano. Now, the Munoz family, they were,  
8 they were some, you know, devout Catholics that when I  
9 used to, you know, when I used to go around and, you  
10 know, evangelize, you know, just go in the streets and  
11 stuff like that, I used to live in my car.

12           JOHN: Yeah.

13           DAVID: You know, I'm, I'm a, I'm a  
14 carpenter, I build homes, I'm a mechanic.

15           JOHN: Yeah. I heard last night you're a  
16 pretty good finish carpenter, huh?

17           DAVID: Right. Used to, used to work with  
18 Floyd Hair in Floyd's Hair Construction Company. We  
19 used to do all kinds of (Indiscernible) and stuff like  
20 that. And, you know, used to back in, back in the  
21 seventies and early eighties you had a lot of the  
22 developments around Dallas, especially the Innwood  
23 area, Duck Creek and all that. He built a lot of real  
24 nice upper middle class homes, 'cause we also did  
25 building for Beverly Harris, too, which was -- in those  
days, a house could cost you, you know, 600,000,

1 \$700,000, and today the same home would -- well, I  
2 don't know since --

3 JOHN: It depends where, where in the country  
4 you're living, too, right? They've had their ups and  
5 downs.

6 DAVID: Yeah, I know, but back in the -- when  
7 the Permian Basin was here pumping oil --

8 JOHN: Things were flying high.

9 DAVID: Yeah. I mean, that, that home could  
10 be, you know, a million dollar home right now. But,  
11 but now I don't know. I think the real estate -- I  
12 know it came down in California.

13 JOHN: Yeah.

14 DAVID: But, you know, what we used to do --

15 JOHN: Well, he wasn't in the construction  
16 business himself, was he?

17 DAVID: Antonio Munoz?

18 JOHN: Yeah.

19 DAVID: Yeah, he did tile setting.

20 JOHN: Oh, did he?

21 DAVID: He had a tile company.

22 JOHN: Uh-uh.

23 DAVID: You know, Munoz Tile Company.

24 JOHN: He still does, do you think? Or is he  
25 retired probably now?

DAVID: I imagine. He, he's probably

1 | retired, but he still probably works.

2 |           JOHN: How old a fellow do you think he'd be?

3 |           DAVID: Oh, he's -- right now he's least way

4 | in his sixties.

5 |           JOHN: Uh-huh.

6 |           DAVID: But, you know, he, he --

7 |           JOHN: Just a good old, good old man, huh?

8 |           DAVID: Yeah, a guy that came from Mexico

9 | years and years ago, started with nothing and ended up

10 | with I'd say at least a million dollars worth of

11 | assets, if not more.

12 |           JOHN: Did he really?

13 |           DAVID: Oh, yeah.

14 |           JOHN: Wow.

15 |           DAVID: But he used to tell me, he used to --

16 | he had a little, he had a little shrine in his den, you

17 | know --

18 |           JOHN: Yeah.

19 |           DAVID: -- and, you know, the Virgin Mary and

20 | everything over there, and he used to say -- I used to

21 | try to give him Bible studies. He used to

22 | say --

23 |           JOHN: (Laughing.) He was kind of set in his

24 | ways?

25 |           DAVID: No, not really.

          JOHN: Really?

1                   DAVID: He used to say, you know, Vernon, he  
2 says, you know, he says you know like on the Ten  
3 Commandments Moses go up to the mountain, you know, and  
4 he bring down the Ten Commandments? He says all the  
5 people, he says they break, they break the  
6 Commandments.

7                   JOHN: Uh-huh. You're talking like an  
8 Italian now. Get back to the Spanish.

9                   DAVID: All right. He goes -- no, but he  
10 didn't talk like hey, now, what you doing, you know.  
11 That's kind of hard for me to get to, anyway. But  
12 he's, he --

13                  JOHN: He was serious about his --

14                  DAVID: He -- his faith was in his works.

15                  JOHN: You know, it's amazing when you, when  
16 you look at somebody like that. They came here with  
17 nothing, didn't they?

18                  DAVID: Right.

19                  JOHN: And he really made something out of  
20 himself.

21                  DAVID: Worked with their hands and saved  
22 their money and, and made something 'cause they worked.

23                  JOHN: Goes to show you you don't just have  
24 to be academically inclined.

25                  DAVID: Exactly.

                  JOHN: You know, and I think that's one of

1 the, the fallacies that's out there today. All these  
2 kids feel they have to go to college and they have to  
3 do this. And not that I would knock it, but there are  
4 so many things you can do with your hands, huh? And  
5 your mind, without --

6           DAVID: If you have a chance or an avenue for  
7 it.

8           JOHN: Yeah, yeah. But you've got to get  
9 some prodding sometimes from mom and dad. And that's  
10 why it's --

11           DAVID: In today's world, though, you do have  
12 to have the education.

13           JOHN: Yeah, unless you're going to be  
14 mechanically inclined. And then, of course, you need a  
15 mechanical education.

16           DAVID: Well, like I'm a mechanic and --

17           JOHN: And a, and a pretty good carpenter,  
18 huh?

19           DAVID: Yeah. You know, I can build just  
20 about anything, but the thing of it is this.

21           JOHN: Well, that's a talent, though, and  
22 it's a gift.

23           DAVID: The way the, the way the system works  
24 is -- well, you know I'm a musician, too, you know  
25 that, right?

          JOHN: I heard the music last night. Are you

1 | going to let me hear some tonight? Huh?

2 |           DAVID: I don't think -- see, I've only got  
3 | just one tape here.

4 |           JOHN: Oh, you're kidding me.

5 |           DAVID: I don't, I don't think, I don't  
6 | think, I don't think you would like this kind of music.

7 |           JOHN: I heard it last night.

8 |           DAVID: You want to hear some more of it?

9 |           JOHN: The guitar?

10 |           DAVID: Hear some more of it?

11 |           JOHN: Heck, yeah. How come you don't have  
12 | any Randy Travis to play for me?

13 |           DAVID: I've got that out in my Camaro right  
14 | now. Can I crawl out there and get it?

15 |           JOHN: Well, I bet we can work something out.

16 |           DAVID: Hindsight's twenty-twenty --

17 |           JOHN: I bet we could work something out.

18 |           DAVID: Do you like that, do you like that  
19 | song?

20 |           JOHN: Yeah. I enjoy country and western.

21 |           DAVID: I've got an old Ford Truck and a  
22 | chicken -- box of chicken wings and here I'm looking in  
23 | the -- "Digging Up Bones." But I can't think real  
24 | good. "Digging up memories better left alone.  
25 | Resurrecting memories of a love that's dead and gone."  
   | Yeah, yeah, I love Randy Travis. Man, that guy's

1 | great. You know, tell --  
2 |           JOHN: Who?  
3 |           DAVID: One day hopefully --  
4 |           JOHN: Hey, if you want to play some of that  
5 | music, I'll listen to it.  
6 |           DAVID: Well, now, here's the thing, you  
7 | know. When I, when I was a child, see, I was raised  
8 | just like you were or anybody else. That's one of the  
9 | beauties of this final judgment of this world.  
10 |           JOHN: You mean your dad had a belt and a  
11 | hair brush?  
12 |           DAVID: No hair brush. A belt and a piece of  
13 | bailing wire.  
14 |           JOHN: It works, though, doesn't it?  
15 |           DAVID: You know --  
16 |           JOHN: It's got a way of getting your  
17 | attention.  
18 |           DAVID: You tell, you tell my stepdad, Roy  
19 | Haldeman (phonetic sp.), if you ever get a chance, I  
20 | don't care how many times he whooped me or how hard he  
21 | whooped me, you know, I still always loved him.  
22 | Because one thing about him was is that, is that he,  
23 | he, he may have beat the crap out of me, but he was, he  
24 | was right.  
25 |           JOHN: Yeah.  
          DAVID: When he, when he told me to do



1 something and I failed to do it, I didn't think --

2 JOHN: How about the times, how about the  
3 times he beat you when they were wrong? I bet you that  
4 happened, too, didn't it?

5 DAVID: Well, see, that wasn't a beating,  
6 that was just a thump on the head or a boot in the  
7 butt. You know, that was --

8 JOHN: I got the belt before -- when it was  
9 somebody else's fault and they used -- the wrong John  
10 got the blame.

11 DAVID: Yeah. You better watch your social  
12 workers.

13 JOHN: That's not real comfortable.

14 DAVID: They'll put your parents in jail, you  
15 know. I mean, you know --

16 JOHN: Hey, it's all going to work out all  
17 right, though, huh? Listen, can, can I ask you a  
18 favor?

19 DAVID: Sure.

20 JOHN: I really would like to, to go review  
21 the, the list of the people that have been calling in  
22 and the people they've been asking about and, and call  
23 you back in a little bit.

24 DAVID: Okay, then call me back then.

25 JOHN: Yeah.

DAVID: Okay, I'll talk to you in a little

1 bit.  
2 JOHN: Is that all right?  
3 DAVID: Fine.  
4 JOHN: Okay.  
5 DAVID: Okay, bye.  
6 JOHN: Bye bye.  
7 \* \* \* \* \*  
8 STEVE: Hello?  
9 JOHN: Hey, Steve?  
10 STEVE: Yes.  
11 JOHN: John Cox.  
12 STEVE: John, how's it going?  
13 JOHN: Good. Good.  
14 STEVE: That's good.  
15 JOHN: Getting a little late.  
16 STEVE: Yeah, it is a little late.  
17 JOHN: Listen, I, I mentioned to David that  
18 he was going to get something to eat and I was going to  
19 try and get some -- a list here that I was aware that  
20 some people had called about folks on the inside and he  
21 said go ahead and, and give him a call back and --  
22 STEVE: Okay.  
23 JOHN: -- we can see if we can verify some of  
24 them.  
25 STEVE: All right.  
JOHN: Is, is he around?

1                   STEVE: Yeah. Just a moment. I'll go see  
2 if, you know, if he's sleeping or whatever. Just a  
3 moment, let me look.

4                   JOHN: Give him a little nudge.

5                   (Pause)

6                   STEVE: I asked him a few questions, but  
7 there's no response. I can hear --

8                   JOHN: I'm sorry?

9                   STEVE: Yeah, I just asked a question. I  
10 said hello, David, you know, and I said --

11                  JOHN: He didn't say hello, Steve?

12                  STEVE: No. It's just -- it's kind of quiet  
13 over there right now. I think he -- how long -- what  
14 time was it that he quit? How long ago was it? I  
15 didn't even look --

16                  JOHN: I don't know, an hour-and-a-half ago.  
17 I had to go get -- he was going to get some -- I think  
18 he said he was going to go get some soup and have some  
19 soup and I said I'll go see if I can get these names  
20 and things and I'll call him back, and he said fine,  
21 give me a call back as soon as you get them.

22                  STEVE: Okay. Yeah, he had the soup. I  
23 notice there's a bowl. I just came back here and I  
24 notice the bowl is there, so --

25                  JOHN: Go see if you can -- go tell him that  
the grim reaper's on the other end of the phone here.

1 STEVE: Okay.

2 JOHN: It won't be long. You know, he'll be  
3 able to sack out.

4 STEVE: What time do you have there? What  
5 time is it, about?

6 JOHN: Eleven thirty-eight.

7 STEVE: Eleven thirty-eight, okay.

8 JOHN: I won't take more than 10, 15 minutes  
9 of his time.

10 STEVE: Okay, just hang on.

11 JOHN: Thanks.

12 (Pause)

13 STEVE: I made a few statements, but --

14 JOHN: I'm sorry?

15 STEVE: I just made a few statements to him.  
16 He doesn't respond. So he must be -- I talked to him  
17 about medium --

18 JOHN: About what?

19 STEVE: I talked to him about medium volume,  
20 you know, I didn't yell or anything, but --

21 JOHN: Uh-huh.

22 STEVE: -- normally, he can hear me.

23 JOHN: Well, maybe you can give me some  
24 answers.

25 STEVE: It's possible, it's possible.

JOHN: What I've got is some people that have

1 | called --

2 |           STEVE: All right.

3 |           JOHN: -- and they're concerned about people  
4 | that are apparently in there. I mean, I don't know if  
5 | they are in there or they're not in there, but I, I can  
6 | tell you who called and I can tell you who they  
7 | inquired about so that we can give them a call and tell  
8 | them hey, they're all right, you know. And he asked  
9 | himself about one. That's why I thought he would want  
10 | to talk to me, because he brought up the name of one.

11 |           STEVE: Okay.

12 |           JOHN: He asked if the parents of Aisha --I  
13 | guess it's A-I-S-H-A -- and, and neither one of us had  
14 | the spelling of the last name. It's, I don't know, I'd  
15 | say phonetic G-Y-A-R-F-U-S, Gyarfus, Gyarfus.

16 |           STEVE: That sounds pretty close.

17 |           JOHN: That's the best I can do.

18 |           STEVE: Right.

19 |           JOHN: He asked if her parents, who he said  
20 | their name were -- was Oliver and Elizabeth, were here,  
21 | and, and he related that they were either from  
22 | Australia, New Zealand, something like that. He  
23 | understood they were coming up here. I have had no  
24 | contact with them and I can't seem to find anyone that  
25 | has, but that doesn't mean that they may not have  
   | talked to the local Sheriff's Department here or

1 | somebody like that, you know. So, I, I can't give him  
2 | an answer, whether they're here or they're not here,  
3 | you know, to pass that on to her.

4 |               STEVE: Okay.

5 |               JOHN: If she's in there.

6 |               STEVE: All right.

7 |               JOHN: Is there someone by that name in  
8 | there?

9 |               STEVE: Yes, there is.

10 |              JOHN: Okay. Well, I'll pursue that from  
11 | this end to see if I can find them, okay?

12 |              STEVE: Okay.

13 |              JOHN: Now, we had Melinda Gaynem (phonetic  
14 | sp.) --

15 |              STEVE: No, that name --

16 |              JOHN: -- call regarding a David Thibodeau.  
17 | Now, where I'm from, that's spelled  
18 | T-H-I-B-O-D-E-A-U.

19 |              STEVE: That sounds correct.

20 |              JOHN: In some places, they have an X on it.

21 |              STEVE: No, I believe, I believe your  
22 | spelling is the way his is as I recall seeing it.

23 |              JOHN: Okay. He's in there and he's okay?

24 |              STEVE: Yes.

25 |              JOHN: Good. Just make a little note here,  
okay. And we had a Lynn David Josephson call about

1 Barbara Reed, Leanne David Josephson and a William  
2 Grady Josephson. And Lynn, who called, is from  
3 Oklahoma, Wynnewood, Oklahoma.

4 STEVE: Really? Now, I don't know who that  
5 would be. Let me see if somebody here knows.

6 JOHN: I don't have whether it's a mother,  
7 father, sister. I don't have any of that, but --

8 STEVE: So their name again --

9 JOHN: She called from Oklahoma --

10 STEVE: All right.

11 JOHN: -- concerning the welfare of a Barbara  
12 Reed who I presume may be in her early to mid-thirties.

13 STEVE: Barbara Reed. Boy. That I don't --

14 JOHN: I'll just put a question mark there,  
15 okay?

16 STEVE: Okay, 'cause I thought I probably  
17 knew the majority, but just a moment.

18 JOHN: Okay. Are you --

19 (Pause)

20 STEVE: No one responded to that at all.

21 JOHN: Okay. Though I imagine most of the  
22 people are asleep, huh?

23 STEVE: Yeah, they are. There's a good share  
24 of them, anyway.

25 JOHN: Okay. Now, that, that Lynn Josephson  
that called called about a Barbara Reed, Leanne David

1 Josephson, and William Grady Josephson.

2 STEVE: All right.

3 JOHN: And, and whether Leanne is a child or  
4 an adult, I don't know, and whether William Grady is a  
5 child or an adult, I don't know.

6 STEVE: Uh-huh.

7 JOHN: But she called about three people, a  
8 Barbara Reed and two Josephsons, and her name is  
9 Josephson. So I just don't have that information.

10 STEVE: I've never heard that name before.

11 JOHN: Okay. You think you might be able to  
12 check in the morning or something?

13 STEVE: Yeah, for sure.

14 JOHN: Okay. Now, Lonnie Little from  
15 Kalamazoo, Michigan, called about Jeff Little.

16 STEVE: Okay. He's -- yes, he's here.

17 JOHN: He's there and he's okay?

18 STEVE: Uh-huh.

19 JOHN: All right. And Ursula Gehrman,  
20 G-E-H-R-M-A-N, from Hawaii called about a Margueritia,  
21 Margueritia Vaga.

22 STEVE: Right, Margueritia.

23 JOHN: Vaga.

24 STEVE: Right.

25 JOHN: Yeah, just a little different way of  
spelling Marguerita.



1 STEVE: Apparently so.

2 JOHN: Vaga, is that correct?

3 STEVE: That's correct.

4 JOHN: She's there?

5 STEVE: Right.

6 JOHN: Okay? She's okay?

7 STEVE: Right.

8 JOHN: Okay. A Diana McClintock from Alabama

9 called about a Catherine Madison. Now, I believe

10 that's one of the women that's already out, right?

11 STEVE: You've got that. That's, that's

12 correct.

13 JOHN: Isn't that correct?

14 STEVE: Uh-huh.

15 JOHN: Okay. And we had either a Mr. or Mrs.

16 Moser, I couldn't tell you which, called about their

17 daughter Sherry Jewel.

18 STEVE: Okay. Yeah, she was here -- she is

19 here, also.

20 JOHN: She's okay?

21 STEVE: Yeah.

22 JOHN: Okay. Darren Borst called about his

23 mother, Mary Jean Borst, B-O-R-S-T.

24 STEVE: That's correct.

25 JOHN: Okay. She's okay?

STEVE: Yes.

1                   JOHN: Okay. Barry Craddock called about a -  
2 - Graeme Leonard Craddock.

3                   STEVE: Let, let me ask about him, okay?

4                   JOHN: Okay. And I've got G-R-A-E-M-E  
5 Leonard Craddock. And that's some -- probably someone  
6 from Australia.

7                   STEVE: That sounds about right.

8                   JOHN: 'Cause that's where this person called  
9 from.

10                  STEVE: Okay. Let, let me check on that.  
11 Just a moment.

12                  (Pause)

13                  STEVE: Boy, there's no one responding to me  
14 at all, but I believe that he is, he is here and okay.

15                  JOHN: Okay.

16                  STEVE: Yeah.

17                  JOHN: Okay. Now --

18                  STEVE: I might have to redo just a few of  
19 these in the morning.

20                  JOHN: Okay. We'll, we'll go back in the  
21 morning, but we had three people call, a Ray Jackson  
22 and an Anthony Greenwood and a Joe and Helen Martin,  
23 all called about Douglas Wayne Martin and Sheila  
24 Martin.

25                  STEVE: Okay, yes, they're here.

                  JOHN: They're there? And they're okay?

1 STEVE: Yes.

2 JOHN: Okay. Okay. And an Irma Fotta,  
3 Fotta, called about a Paul Fotta and a Kalani Fotta.

4 STEVE: I'm not sure now where they are.  
5 There's a few that I'm not, I'm not real certain.

6 JOHN: Okay. All right. Now, what I would  
7 like, and if you can work it out in the morning  
8 sometime --

9 STEVE: All right.

10 JOHN: -- is for those people, for me to just  
11 say hello to them.

12 STEVE: Okay.

13 JOHN: And I can then make a call to these  
14 people and say hey, I have spoken to your --

15 STEVE: Okay.

16 JOHN: -- you know, mother, father, sister,  
17 brother, daughter, yes, they are fine. And, and I  
18 think that'll give them a lot of, a lot of hope, you  
19 know.

20 STEVE: Right.

21 JOHN: And I will try to find out whether or  
22 not Aisha's parents are here.

23 STEVE: Okay.

24 JOHN: Was, was David all right tonight? He  
25 didn't sound as good tonight as when I -- I heard him  
talking to Henry --

1 STEVE: Right.

2 JOHN: -- last night and, gee, he sounded  
3 like a house afire last night. He was just -- sounded  
4 great.

5 STEVE: Well, I, I --

6 JOHN: He sounded like he was in some pain  
7 tonight.

8 STEVE: Yeah, he was. There's no question he  
9 was. I happened to be here a few times when -- while  
10 he was talking to you. He either had to cough or  
11 sneeze or something.

12 JOHN: Yeah. He coughed one time and --

13 STEVE: Oh, yeah, he --

14 JOHN: -- he was in a lot of pain.

15 STEVE: Oh, yeah. I was watching him grimace  
16 in the face.

17 JOHN: Was -- were they able to use the, the  
18 suture, suture kit?

19 STEVE: I -- you know, I actually wasn't  
20 around during the time, so I'm not certain --

21 JOHN: Did you see his hand?

22 STEVE: No, I didn't see his hand, 'cause he  
23 had a --

24 JOHN: 'Cause I think he said his hand or his  
25 wrist or something like, he wanted to clean it up and,  
and suture it.

1           STEVE: That -- it's possible, 'cause he only  
2 had one hand out of the blanket, holding onto the phone  
3 when he was talking to you, I noticed.

4           JOHN: Yeah.

5           STEVE: So I would -- normally, I'd ask him.  
6 You know, I called out his name again and he's  
7 definitely not responding.

8           JOHN: Don't know, huh?

9           STEVE: Any time he's on the phone for, say,  
10 an hour, maybe two, it takes a lot out of him, for  
11 sure.

12          JOHN: Well, he was concerned about a couple  
13 of other issues, too, and --

14          STEVE: Yeah?

15          JOHN: -- one of the issues, you know, he  
16 said it was a possible fear and I said that's nonsense,  
17 it's not a fear and I, I didn't think he should be  
18 really a person that should be fearing coming out of  
19 there, because the federal system is a hell of a lot  
20 different than some state or local system, the way we  
21 do things. But --

22          STEVE: Uh-huh.

23          JOHN: -- I assured him that if -- not if but  
24 when he came out and, and brought the rest of you out  
25 with him that yes, he would be allowed to speak to the  
media. Now, I can't tell you he'd be allowed to speak

1 to 250 media representatives, but what I presume, they  
2 would have a -- what they would call a pool, you know,  
3 a media pool of half a dozen people or something like  
4 that. But he would be allowed to do that. And that  
5 our normal procedure, and I'm telling it to you as, as  
6 straight as it is, our normal procedure is that he  
7 would be provided immediate medical attention,  
8 depending on the severity of his wounds.

9 STEVE: Right.

10 JOHN: And he would then be brought before a  
11 magistrate. And if he had to be hospitalized, the  
12 magistrate would probably come to the facility and  
13 conduct what we call an initial appearance.

14 STEVE: Well --

15 JOHN: And that is merely where the  
16 magistrate says these are the charges, I want you to  
17 know and I want you to understand your rights, all of  
18 your rights, to have counsel, appoint counsel, the  
19 whole nine yards there, because we don't mess around  
20 with that kind of thing. We -- we're, we're very  
21 serious about the judicial proceedings in, in the, in  
22 the federal system. And, and I want to allay any fears  
23 that, that people have that are in there, that just  
24 because someone is in there doesn't mean that they're  
25 in any way part and parcel to everything that's  
happened.

1 STEVE: Right. I, I'm sure of that.

2 JOHN: And I don't mean just the youngsters.  
3 We know they, they had nothing to do with this, but I'm  
4 talking about just because a person is a consenting  
5 adult and is inside that facility doesn't necessarily  
6 mean that they're part and parcel of everything that's  
7 going on. So, you know, he seemed to have some, some  
8 questions about that. And, and the other thing is that  
9 he would probably -- the federal magistrate, which is a  
10 federal judge, would probably instruct that he be taken  
11 to a federal medical facility.

12 And, and I'm talking not just off the top of  
13 my head, I'm talking from, you know, prior experience  
14 in these --

15 STEVE: Right.

16 JOHN: -- in these things, such as the one we  
17 have at Springfield, Missouri, or something like that,  
18 where they give a person a complete check up, you know,  
19 because we don't need problems. You know, we don't  
20 need problems.

21 STEVE: Well, the truth is, you know, after  
22 what happened Sunday, I was surprised that he survived  
23 that, even by his, you know, the way he was talking at  
24 the time. And the next few days it did look like, if  
25 anything, it, it seemed like there was a stability  
there, but it seemed also that he had slipped down a

1 | little bit. But it's been in the last two days where  
2 | there's definitely been somewhat of a rebound.

3 |           JOHN: Well, he sure sounded like he was  
4 | hurting tonight, compared to last night.

5 |           STEVE: Yeah, I think that's --

6 |           JOHN: And that's strictly my own, my own gut  
7 | feeling of what I heard.

8 |           STEVE: You, you've got it right, because  
9 | even -- it surprised me, it really did, it surprised me  
10 | how -- I mean, I was looking at him, too, and it  
11 | happened a few times. I think maybe that's why he's  
12 | passed back into sleep again.

13 |           JOHN: Did his color look okay today?

14 |           STEVE: Yeah. It appeared like he was okay.

15 |           JOHN: Well, he was speaking all right.

16 |           STEVE: Right.

17 |           JOHN: He just seemed to be in more pain,  
18 | because last night I know he talked to Henry for over  
19 | four hours.

20 |           STEVE: Right.

21 |           JOHN: And he was just on a whirlwind  
22 | session. I mean, they just --

23 |           STEVE: It was that long, huh?

24 |           JOHN: Four hours and twenty minutes. How's  
25 | that sound?

          STEVE: Wow.



1                   JOHN: Bet you couldn't do that. I sure as  
2 hell couldn't.

3                   STEVE: Yeah, what he was all saying, I was  
4 quite surprised at the way he was speaking, the subject  
5 matter.

6                   JOHN: Oh, yeah.

7                   STEVE: I mean, it would --

8                   JOHN: Very comfortable.

9                   STEVE: I've been with him for a while off  
10 and on as he has spoken with different scholars and  
11 those that are maybe of different walks of life and he  
12 changes his way he speaks to people. Sometimes he has  
13 to talk to a scholar like he's a country bumpkin, and  
14 other times like he's extremely and highly articulate  
15 and educated. It depends upon, apparently, their --  
16 the person's desire to know what he might have to  
17 offer. I don't know. But you, you mentioned something  
18 earlier about, you know, his fear of maybe coming out.

19                   JOHN: It shouldn't be a fear.

20                   STEVE: Well, I, I don't know that it is. I  
21 mean --

22                   JOHN: I, I told him I didn't think he  
23 personally had a fear. It was more concern --

24                   STEVE: Well, gee, Tuesday everybody, in all  
25 honesty, thought that that was it, it was over. I  
remember the last few minutes when that tape finished

1 up, people were already dressed, ready to go. I'm, I'm  
2 serious.

3 JOHN: Well, I'm telling you, they sure did  
4 out here.

5 STEVE: Well, they did here, also. That is  
6 no kidding. I mean, I, I --

7 JOHN: Do you know what your biggest problem  
8 would have been?

9 STEVE: What's that?

10 JOHN: Probably fighting the media.

11 STEVE: But, anyway, we -- at the same time,  
12 you know, we were ready, our people were ready to go  
13 out the door. He was actually left alone when he  
14 started praying and --

15 JOHN: Don't leave him alone next time, huh?

16 STEVE: Well, you know, anyway, we waited.  
17 You know, we waited a few moments, came back and still  
18 was -- and, finally, just said well, what's happening?  
19 And at that time he said -- in fact, you know, I know  
20 you've never, you know, it's -- it would be hard for  
21 somebody in your place and position to believe  
22 something like this.

23 JOHN: It really would. And it really is.

24 STEVE: Well --

25 JOHN: It's very difficult.

STEVE: For, for, for me, also. For me,

1 | also, because when I first met him, after dealing with  
2 | so much -- when you're into religion and you listen to  
3 | people say they're gurus and they're prophets and  
4 | they're this and that.

5 |               JOHN: Um-hum.

6 |               STEVE: Well, I'd never bought any of that  
7 | sort of thing in my life. You know, there's no bona  
8 | fide that have ever come close to -- not some  
9 | fanaticism or somebody that's off the wall somehow.  
10 | But when I met him, it was factual material in context  
11 | shown. So that's why you kind of -- you turn your head  
12 | a little bit and you give it a little time and you  
13 | listen a little more, you look, you check, you try to  
14 | rip the material apart. Well, that's how it began, but  
15 | like with that day that we were going to walk out --  
16 | and when I first met him, he let me know, because he  
17 | gave me such deep material.

18 |               I says where did you get it? See, I was  
19 | expecting him to say one of the major universities.  
20 | And then he told me he had dropped out of school as a  
21 | freshman in high school. I was quite surprised to hear  
22 | that.

23 |               JOHN: Yeah.

24 |               STEVE: So, in the process, I kept on at him,  
25 | well, where did you get the information? Because many  
times he'll deal in sciences, but not like what I've

1 | heard him give like over the phone. I mean, he really  
2 | gets deep into like matter, anti-matter, the speed of  
3 | light, gemstones, laser technology, all these things.  
4 | And so --

5 |               JOHN: He does?

6 |               STEVE: Yeah. Oh, like you would never  
7 | believe. I mean --

8 |               JOHN: Well, I believe it now, after  
9 | listening to him for, for three or four days, I believe  
10 | it.

11 |               STEVE: You would ask yourself the question  
12 | where is he getting the information? He'll get into  
13 | the geology of the earth, how it's made, the structure  
14 | of volcanos, earthquakes, how and when and why they're  
15 | going to happen. It's one thing just to speculate  
16 | about the future or the possibilities of catastrophes  
17 | to happen, but when you get into details of how things  
18 | are made and how they're --

19 |               JOHN: I'd like to have him figure out when  
20 | the next hurricane's blowing through, huh?

21 |               STEVE: Well, yeah. Well, he did tell us  
22 | about the Gulf War before it came about.

23 |               JOHN: Yeah.

24 |               STEVE: And -- nothing would come of it.  
25 | But, anyway, so that's what I mean, that when that day  
   | came we thought we were on our way out. But he had

1 | told us for some time God hadn't really spoken to him  
2 | and --

3 |           JOHN: Well, let me, let me ask you something  
4 | about --

5 |           STEVE: Sure.

6 |           JOHN: He mentioned last night that -- when  
7 | he asked for the suture kit --

8 |           STEVE: Okay.

9 |           JOHN: -- he, he said that -- I guess it was  
10 | his wrist I think he mentioned, but he said it was  
11 | changing color and he wanted to get it scrubbed up and  
12 | cleaned up and --

13 |           STEVE: Probably --

14 |           JOHN: -- really felt that the, that the  
15 | sutures would, you know, be a much more successful way  
16 | to heal this thing. Did you notice, had it really  
17 | looked like it was festering or changing color, or just  
18 | it was a lousy looking wound?

19 |           STEVE: Well, well, it, it does look kind of  
20 | bad. It's kind of an ugly wound in that it ripped  
21 | apart a lot of the flesh from the outside.

22 |           JOHN: Near his thumb or --

23 |           STEVE: It's gouged out like and it tore the  
24 | bottom part of the wrist. A lot of times you can't see  
25 | unless he turns, you know, towards you.

          JOHN: Towards like the heel of his hand or

1 | his thumb?

2 |               STEVE: Probably the heel, I believe.

3 |               JOHN: Yeah, yeah.

4 |               STEVE: And --

5 |               JOHN: What about his other wounds, did you

6 | see any of those?

7 |               STEVE: Yes, I have, and --

8 |               JOHN: Does it look like they're getting

9 | better?

10 |              STEVE: It's hard to tell looking directly at

11 | it, because, you know, it, it did go inside and went

12 | all the way -- it appears like it, like he said, hit

13 | his pelvis, came up at a diagonal and then went out the

14 | back.

15 |              JOHN: Like out his buttocks?

16 |              STEVE: Somewhere near there, at the top of

17 | that.

18 |              JOHN: Like between his hip and his buttocks,

19 | huh?

20 |              STEVE: Yeah, some, somewhere in there.

21 |              JOHN: But kind of a fleshy area back there?

22 |              STEVE: It looks like it, it looks like it

23 | went straight to like the buttocks area. Hit the

24 | pelvis or something.

25 |              JOHN: Yeah.

              STEVE: Somehow or other turned --

1                   JOHN: Yeah.

2                   STEVE: -- and exited coming straight up and  
3 then out, higher up the back.

4                   JOHN: But that doesn't seem to be getting  
5 any worse, huh?

6                   STEVE: It, it doesn't. You know, it's -- in  
7 looking at it, and I've seen it a few times but not,  
8 not lately so much --

9                   JOHN: 'Cause he didn't seem --

10                  STEVE: The pain is still there, you can tell  
11 it. It's a --

12                  JOHN: Tonight it seemed much worse, unless  
13 he didn't take any medication or any pain killers or  
14 anything.

15                  STEVE: No, he hasn't spit up any -- you  
16 know, like in the beginning, every time he would even  
17 move or talk hardly, he, he -- it'd bleed, you know, he  
18 would definitely be bleeding.

19                  JOHN: Yeah.

20                  STEVE: And he'd be tasting it, he'd spit it  
21 and all that, but recently he hasn't -- nothing like  
22 that has happened. Seems like that has stopped. But  
23 the pain every now and then, like tonight, it, it seems  
24 like it was a little stronger again. So I don't know  
25 why or what the problem is, but, yeah, he's -- it  
seemed like he was slowly improving, you know, in the

1 | last three days.

2 |           JOHN: Well, you know, tonight he seemed to  
3 | be talking about some things that were more personal to  
4 | him and, you know, more, more, more meaningful to him,  
5 | and, and, and that was good. And it's just kind of  
6 | hard to say. Like I told him, I didn't think it was a  
7 | question that he was coming out and that he was going  
8 | to bring the flock out with him, it was a question of  
9 | when and when he receives the message, you know.  
10 | That's the bottom line, I guess, huh?

11 |           STEVE: Yeah, it is -- it's a strange thing  
12 | because, like I told you when I --

13 |           JOHN: Well, it's stranger for me.

14 |           STEVE: Well, it is.

15 |           JOHN: Where you, you spent time with him  
16 | and, and --

17 |           STEVE: Well, yeah.

18 |           JOHN: -- I appreciate that because I haven't  
19 | spent the time with him.

20 |           STEVE: Well, see, the first time I even met  
21 | him I was extremely apprehensive. I had met a guy by  
22 | the name of Mark Broe (phonetic sp.) who now was behind  
23 | all that's happened in the last two years, all these  
24 | investigations, all --

25 |           JOHN: Really?

          STEVE: It all stemmed -- well, yeah, you can



1 | check the records.

2 |           JOHN: He's from around here?

3 |           STEVE: Mark Broe is now living in Australia.

4 |           JOHN: Oh.

5 |           STEVE: He's originally from Hawaii. I met

6 | Mark in '78.

7 |           JOHN: Uh-huh.

8 |           STEVE: He was a young man who had left the

9 | Catholic Church. He was studying with the Adventists.

10 |           JOHN: Uh-huh.

11 |           STEVE: He loved -- said he had a love for

12 | the Bible. I watched him. He was blind in his right

13 | eye, maybe 10 percent vision in his left. Over time,

14 | he finally -- he became an Adventist and went to their

15 | schools, got a bachelor's degree in religion at Pacific

16 | Union College in northern California. It's an

17 | Adventist college.

18 |           JOHN: Uh-huh.

19 |           STEVE: And when he came back, he became very

20 | bitter with the Adventists because they did not give

21 | him a call in their ministry after paying out the

22 | thousands of dollars that he had.

23 |           JOHN: The insult, he paid his dues and

24 | didn't get it, huh?

25 |           STEVE: Exactly.

          JOHN: Yeah.

1                   STEVE: So I felt kind of for the guy and I  
2 spent a little time with him. And then he told me that  
3 he had a, a dream. Well, I wasn't into that sort of a  
4 thing.

5                   JOHN: Sure.

6                   STEVE: You know, extremely skeptical of  
7 people, had to get into their personal kind of  
8 phenomenal -- that kind of phenomena. So he went off  
9 to Loma Linda University, which is another one of their  
10 universities in California, and writes to me and tells  
11 me he had a vision. For six months he starts writing  
12 and talking about his visions and dreams. They didn't  
13 make a lot of sense to me. I'd write back and he'd ask  
14 me to test them by the, the tenor of the scripture,  
15 which there are many scriptures that test when people  
16 believe they're prophets and so forth, whatever they're  
17 called, of God.

18                  JOHN: Yeah.

19                  STEVE: So, anyway, I, I looked over the  
20 material and it didn't really go anywhere. But he  
21 returned finally in June of '86. And when he  
22 returned -- when he had left, he really didn't know  
23 much at all about the scriptures. I mean, he had some  
24 of the basics down, but when he returned he literally  
25 blew me away.

                  JOHN: Yeah.

1               STEVE: And I said to him Mark, where did you  
2 get the material? And I invited a psychologist friend  
3 of mine, who was probably about early sixties, mid-  
4 sixties, over to meet him, as I did a lot of friends  
5 that have been part of different groups that I'd been  
6 in and social groups and so forth, and everyone was  
7 astounded. No one dared take him on because it was  
8 obvious the information he had was only the beginning  
9 of what he was presenting.

10              So after I heard it all, I started pressing  
11 him about where did you get the information? He said  
12 to me there was a guy that he had met in California.  
13 So, ultimately, I met the person. To make a long story  
14 short, when I met with him, what he presented me was  
15 Revelation 8. It talks about the seven trumpets.  
16 Well, there's no scholar in the world that'll tell you  
17 for a fact what it is, where it's found in the Bible,  
18 how it connects to you and I, if it does at all, and he  
19 started opening that up in the Bible.

20              And, I mean, I'll tell you the truth, after  
21 years of my own personal studies, being in colleges,  
22 asking the questions to the scholars, there are some  
23 men that can speak 16 languages that I've met. I mean,  
24 they have a real capacity, a memory and an ability.  
25 But these men did not have the answers, nothing  
consistent. So when he presented that to me in the

1 first meeting with him, I then said hey, I've got a  
2 group of people, there are some people I have met that  
3 would like to hear you. They'll pay your way. Why  
4 don't you come over? And he looked at me and said I  
5 don't go anywhere, I don't do anything without the  
6 direction of God.

7 JOHN: Hey, Steve.

8 STEVE: Yeah?

9 JOHN: Somebody just passed me a note --

10 STEVE: All right.

11 JOHN: -- and said -- and I wonder if you  
12 could just check on it and either call me back or I can  
13 hold on --

14 STEVE: All right.

15 JOHN: -- that somebody is walking in the  
16 courtyard between the -- I guess the buildings and,  
17 what have you got, a swimming pool out there, big pool  
18 out there?

19 STEVE: Really?

20 JOHN: Somebody is walking out there right  
21 now.

22 STEVE: Positively?

23 JOHN: Absolutely.

24 STEVE: Hold on just one minute.

25 JOHN: Can I just hold on or --

STEVE: Yeah, please do.

1                   JOHN: Okay.

2                   STEVE: Please do, 'cause we're totally

3 unaware of it.

4                   JOHN: Okay.

5                   STEVE: I'll be just a minute.

6                   JOHN: And it's our impression that's not

7 supposed to --

8                   STEVE: Hello?

9                   JOHN: Yeah, I'm here.

10                  STEVE: It's between the pool and the

11 building.

12                  JOHN: Yeah. You've got what, a big water

13 tower and a pool and buildings? There's a courtyard

14 like in there?

15                  STEVE: All right, yeah, there is.

16                  JOHN: Okay. Can you check on it?

17                  STEVE: Yeah, I will. Just hang on.

18                  JOHN: Thank you.

19                  (Pause)

20                  STEVE: Okay, they're checking right now.

21                  JOHN: Yeah.

22                  STEVE: I would be quite shocked if that were

23 true, seriously.

24                  JOHN: Well, I guarantee you it's true.

25                  STEVE: Oh, but --

                  JOHN: They're not making it up.

1 STEVE: No, it may not be somebody with us.

2 JOHN: Oh.

3 STEVE: Because, seriously -- now, look, you  
4 know, in the last few nights there have been reports by  
5 these people. Now, if it was one person, we always say  
6 check, be sure --

7 JOHN: They think the person has gone back in  
8 now.

9 STEVE: Okay. but -- and the other night  
10 there was a few that had gone into their cars, even  
11 left their dome lights on.

12 JOHN: Well, I can tell you it's not our  
13 people, though, because our people --

14 STEVE: Well, who do you think it is, though?

15 JOHN: And it could have been just somebody  
16 that went out there to relieve themselves, huh?

17 STEVE: Well, nobody -- I guarantee it was  
18 nobody of us, because they watched the persons go into  
19 the vehicles, even leave the dome lights on and the  
20 door cracked and so forth. Went through it -- they  
21 watched some movement elsewhere around the building.

22 JOHN: Well --

23 STEVE: Not ours. And that's why in the  
24 process --

25 JOHN: -- I wouldn't have interrupted you  
unless, you know, somebody handed me the note and said

1 | someone was out there. I wouldn't interrupt you  
2 | otherwise.

3 |           STEVE: Nobody, none of ours have been.  
4 | Nobody. No one's out there now and no one has been.  
5 | They just went and checked.

6 |           JOHN: Well, I didn't -- you go ahead with  
7 | what you were saying. I didn't mean -- I just wanted  
8 | to make sure that no one was wandering around.

9 |           STEVE: That is, that is a strange thing, for  
10 | sure. But when I talk --

11 |           JOHN: Well, you've, you've got a little bit  
12 | of education yourself, don't you?

13 |           STEVE: Well, yeah, I've got some, but,  
14 | anyway, you know, I talked with Jim and Henry, of  
15 | course, about that and they didn't deny it. They said  
16 | that it was possible, but --

17 |           JOHN: What's that?

18 |           STEVE: About certain ones being running  
19 | around at night and so forth, which is true because --

20 |           JOHN: You mean our people?

21 |           STEVE: Oh, yeah, yeah. It seems like  
22 | with -- I don't know if it's National Guard or, I mean,  
23 | with the military from Collin or whatever, but --

24 |           JOHN: No, no, no, they don't have any  
25 | National Guard people up there at all.

          STEVE: Okay. Then it would seem like --

1           JOHN: And, and our people are not going up  
2 close to that building. I mean, when I say up close,  
3 maybe a couple hundred yards away or something, but  
4 they're not going inside the courtyard of the building.

5           STEVE: Oh, no, I, I don't --

6           JOHN: I mean, that's crazy.

7           STEVE: It would be.

8           JOHN: We don't want to aggravate the  
9 situation. We're trying to low-key this.

10          STEVE: But, John, not to offend you or  
11 anything, but you say you don't want to aggravate, but,  
12 I mean, you know, again I don't want to be repetitious  
13 or redundant, but, I mean, from what the agreement was  
14 Sunday night and what's taken place, some of the  
15 movements of the Bradleys and the kids getting out and  
16 some of their movements, especially in the night, and  
17 of course they've got a certain kind of sounds and  
18 calls they, they've been making that are like birds,  
19 owls and so forth. Are you aware of that?

20          JOHN: No.

21          STEVE: Yeah. I don't know if --

22          JOHN: You've got some strange creatures out  
23 there, huh?

24          STEVE: Well, I don't know if it's them doing  
25 it humanly or if they've got some kind of a call or  
something, but --



1                   JOHN: More than trapped gas?

2                   STEVE: Exactly. More than trapped gas. But  
3 those are the things that have been really irritating  
4 these people. You know, there are some that get itchy,  
5 and we're telling them look, just, just stay together  
6 here, just stay together.

7                   JOHN: Let me, let me pass something else on  
8 to you --

9                   STEVE: All right.

10                  JOHN: -- that I've got. It's, you know,  
11 it's not necessarily good news, but I guess in another  
12 way it may be. The -- one of our aircraft I guess  
13 earlier yesterday found a body in the ravine.

14                  STEVE: Okay.

15                  JOHN: And the body's been -- we recovered  
16 the body and took it to the coroner, etcetera, and it's  
17 been identified as Michael Dean Schroeder.

18                  STEVE: I had a feeling it might be him.

19                  JOHN: Okay. Now, yesterday --

20                  STEVE: Okay.

21                  JOHN: -- Brian Schroeder was released.

22                  STEVE: Right.

23                  JOHN: Is that going to be his dad or  
24 something?

25                  STEVE: That is. That's his father.

                  JOHN: And his mom's in there?

1 STEVE: Right.  
2 JOHN: That's Kathy?  
3 STEVE: That's correct.  
4 JOHN: Okay. So, you know, you and David  
5 might want to talk to her, huh?  
6 STEVE: Okay. John --  
7 JOHN: It's a positive deal.  
8 STEVE: -- is there anyone else -- what, what  
9 happened with Don Bunge? You have him then apparently.  
10 JOHN: Who?  
11 STEVE: Don Bunge maybe. Is there a name  
12 like that?  
13 JOHN: In custody?  
14 STEVE: Yeah. We were told --  
15 JOHN: Deceased?  
16 STEVE: I, I don't know. I have no idea what  
17 he is or --  
18 JOHN: Oh, just somebody that, that was  
19 arrested, you mean?  
20 STEVE: Yeah, I don't know if he was arrested  
21 or, I mean, 'cause he has -- he's been here before and  
22 we heard from different reports from the radio that he  
23 had been with you and that he had called his daughter  
24 in California. She is another one that actually is an  
25 outright stated enemy that --  
JOHN: Don Bunge?

1 STEVE: Exactly.

2 JOHN: He was arrested.

3 STEVE: Well, this is what we heard on the  
4 radio, a 62-year-old man --

5 JOHN: I'm trying to get you the straight  
6 answer and I was -- it may have seemed like I was  
7 pausing here, but I needed to get somebody that, that  
8 could tell me yes, no, not maybe.

9 STEVE: Yeah.

10 JOHN: But he has been taken into custody.

11 STEVE: What have you --

12 JOHN: But Schroeder, he's definitely  
13 deceased and his body is --

14 STEVE: Right. Anyhow, you don't -- I don't  
15 suppose you have a picture as to what's happened to him  
16 or what, or what did possibly happen to him?

17 JOHN: No idea. I have no idea, other than -  
18 -

19 STEVE: From what Jim told --

20 JOHN: -- he was, he was in a ravine and he  
21 had -- actually, when they took him -- when they picked  
22 him up, I guess they flew over there with a helicopter  
23 and picked him up --

24 STEVE: It's funny he was left there so long,  
25 because, I mean, if he was shot --

JOHN: Well, I can tell you what -- to my

1 | knowledge what happened.

2 |           STEVE: Okay.

3 |           JOHN: There was an incident, you know, on  
4 | that morning where you had some ATF people got in a  
5 | fire fight, I guess, with some other people and there  
6 | were injuries on both sides. And, and apparently both  
7 | sides went in different directions, you know --

8 |           STEVE: Okay.

9 |           JOHN: -- immediately, to get out of the  
10 | area. And I guess he was just left behind.

11 |           STEVE: I see.

12 |           JOHN: ATF people went one way, he went the  
13 | other way and one of our guys picked him up in the  
14 | helicopter.

15 |           STEVE: Was, was --

16 |           JOHN: He still had a weapon in his hand.

17 |           STEVE: What was the guy's name you picked up  
18 | also from England? His name was Dell, Delmar, Del --

19 |           JOHN: Delray?

20 |           STEVE: Delray, that's it, Delray.

21 |           JOHN: Yeah.

22 |           STEVE: Was he with him or something or --

23 |           JOHN: That I don't know.

24 |           STEVE: You don't know.

25 |           JOHN: No.

          STEVE: Actually, I wondered -- or if there

1 | was anybody else with him or --

2 |           JOHN: From what I understand, there were  
3 | three people.

4 |           STEVE: That's what I'm told.

5 |           JOHN: Okay.

6 |           STEVE: That's what I've heard.

7 |           JOHN: And I can only tell you second and  
8 | third-hand. I mean, that's the best I can have. And  
9 | then I heard one person was taken into custody, one  
10 | person was, they felt, killed. And, as it turns out,  
11 | that's going to be Michael.

12 |           STEVE: Right.

13 |           JOHN: And one person was, they felt, wounded  
14 | and probably went back inside. But this is something  
15 | that probably happened a couple hundred yards away from  
16 | the building.

17 |           STEVE: See, that's what I heard, that there  
18 | were three people, and I'm -- I was trying to figure  
19 | out who they possibly could be. And when you say one  
20 | went back inside --

21 |           JOHN: I can't tell you who the other name  
22 | was. I was thinking of Bob or Bill or something.

23 |           STEVE: Yeah, a Bob -- I had inquired about a  
24 | Bob because --

25 |           JOHN: But there were three people, I know  
that.

1 STEVE: I believe that.

2 JOHN: And one was injured, one, one --

3 STEVE: You didn't pick up the injured man

4 then?

5 JOHN: I'm sorry?

6 STEVE: You don't have --

7 JOHN: No, because both people -- both groups

8 ran in different directions.

9 STEVE: Oh, I, I see. So they were probably

10 together then, huh?

11 JOHN: The three?

12 STEVE: Yeah.

13 JOHN: Yes.

14 STEVE: I see.

15 JOHN: And, and I guess when -- whether the

16 shooting subsided or whatever, people were going in

17 opposite directions. The government people were, were

18 going in one direction to get the hell out of the area

19 and, and --

20 STEVE: Right.

21 JOHN: -- probably those three were moving in

22 a different direction, also.

23 STEVE: Well, how is Delray doing, anyway?

24 How is he doing?

25 JOHN: I don't know. I'd have to ask and get

back with you. I mean, off the top of my head I

1 | couldn't tell you.

2 |           STEVE: Right. Right.

3 |           JOHN: He's in custody maybe.

4 |           STEVE: Okay. And then I --

5 |           JOHN: I could have someone check right now,

6 | which they are going to go do.

7 |           STEVE: All right.

8 |           JOHN: And, hopefully, I can give you the

9 | answer. But I wanted to let you know about Michael so

10 | that --

11 |           STEVE: Right. Yeah, the --

12 |           JOHN: -- you can talk to Kathy. And it'd

13 | probably be best that you and, and David talk to her,

14 | you know.

15 |           STEVE: Yeah, we will.

16 |           JOHN: But is Brian their child?

17 |           STEVE: That is correct.

18 |           JOHN: Any of the other youngsters come out

19 | their children that you know of?

20 |           STEVE: Yes. Let's see, right offhand,

21 | Scott, Jake.

22 |           JOHN: Okay, Jake and Scott came out

23 | together, huh?

24 |           STEVE: Right.

25 |           JOHN: Two brothers that came out together?

          STEVE: Right.

1               JOHN: One with long blonde hair?

2               STEVE: Yes.

3               JOHN: Okay.

4               STEVE: And there was a girl, also. Her name  
5 is -- oh, what is it? Right off, I can see her face.  
6 Chrissy.

7               JOHN: Okay. Yeah, Chrissy.

8               STEVE: Right. And then Brian is younger, is  
9 the smallest one.

10              JOHN: Now, I don't know what type of  
11 services or anything like that they -- the family and  
12 all -- I don't know if Michael has got family around  
13 here or anything like that, whether they're going to  
14 have services.

15              STEVE: I think his family, from what I  
16 understand, is out of Florida.

17              JOHN: Uh-huh.

18              STEVE: I believe.

19              JOHN: I don't know if they've been  
20 contacted. I presume they have, you know, I presume  
21 they have but I sure would want you to -- you and David  
22 to talk to --

23              STEVE: Now, what are we going to be doing  
24 wit the body of Peter Gent who I hear that his family  
25 is here, that they flew from Australia.

              JOHN: Well --



1 STEVE: That's the body that was found --

2 JOHN: That's the one that's with you people  
3 right now?

4 STEVE: Well, tell you the truth, I don't  
5 even know where he is because Dick was telling me that  
6 one of the guys apparently stepped outside the building  
7 in kind of the courtyard area because they, they did  
8 find the body. I think he went out there to identify  
9 him or --

10 JOHN: At the compound?

11 STEVE: Yeah. And Dick said apparently they  
12 must have opened --

13 JOHN: Okay. I discussed that with David  
14 tonight.

15 STEVE: Oh, you did?

16 JOHN: And I said --

17 STEVE: I wasn't able to talk to him.

18 JOHN: You know, I said hey --

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